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# NATION-WIDE RAILROAD STRIKE IS CALLED

## Canadian Force Reported Battling Nazis in Ortona, Main Adriatic Objective

One Counterattack Turned Back after Breakthrough from Two Sides; Americans Consolidate Positions on Mount Spinuccio; Fortresses and Liberators Batter Strategic Targets in Southern Europe

By JOSEPH E. DYNAN

ALLIED HEADQUARTERS, ALGIERS, Dec. 21 (AP)—Canadian troops and tanks have fought their way from two sides into the outskirts of the German stronghold of Ortona on the Italian Adriatic coast and are engaged in street fighting with Nazi defenders barricaded within the battered village, reports from the fighting front said tonight.

The breakthrough into the hotly-contested town, before which Canadian forces have been held up for a fortnight by strong German resistance, was preceded by a heavy artillery bombardment which cut a path through the heavily mined approaches yesterday afternoon.

William Stewart, Canadian press correspondent at the front, reports:

"The Canadians established themselves in the southern side of the town before dark and brought up supporting weapons. The enemy attempted one counterattack, but it was turned back."

Is Important Port

Ortona, only eleven miles below the important port of Pescara, has been a main objective of Gen. Sir Bernard L. Montgomery's drive up the Adriatic coast. Its fall would open up the main eastern anchor of the German winter line.

German forces, meanwhile, were reported running critically short of artillery ammunition as American troops consolidated their positions on snow-covered Mount Spinuccio, which the Allied command announced was captured yesterday in a two-and-one-half-mile advance west of Filignano.

Heavy Flying Fortresses and Liberators of the Fifteen American air force flew for the fourth straight day to batter strategic targets deep in Southern Europe.

The big bombers, punching their way through multiple German fighter screens, left acres of smoking wreckage both in the railroad yards at Sofia, Bulgaria, and on Elefsis airfield at Athens, Greece. They and their fighter escorts shot down twenty-eight Nazi interceptors, bringing to seventy-one the number of enemy fighters certainly destroyed by them in the past two days. Nine American planes were missing from the Sofia and Elefsis missions.

Fighting American infantry, which had been ceaselessly attacking for several days, swarmed up 2,600-foot Mount Spinuccio under severe conditions. All mountains in the area west of Venafro, where the Fifth Army is driving northward in an apparent effort to flank the German stronghold of Cassino, are covered with snow.

Fifth Army Advances

There was no report of the Fifth (Continued on Page 5, Col. 4)

Chinese Recapture Four Strongholds

CHUNGKING, Dec. 21 (AP)—Chinese troops have recaptured four important Japanese strongholds north of Tungting lake, the high command announced today, and apparently have regained control of the rice bowl region south of the Lo river except for a few isolated pockets of resistance.

Lihsien, Manhsien, Anhsien and Tungshih, all of which had been seized by the enemy as forward bases for the frustrated offensive against Changchien, were the towns the Chinese reported taken. All had been under several days of direct siege by the Chinese and repeated bombing by the Fourteenth United States Airforce.

Lihsien, biggest of the four bases and an advantageous highway and river center less than sixty miles south of the Yangtze river port of Nanking, fell this morning along with nearby Tungshih.

The recapture of Anhsien had been completed Sunday evening and Manhsien late today, the communiqué said. Both are key towns on the northern shore of Tungting lake, more than forty miles northeast of Changchien.

Following taking of these towns the Chinese continued their drive northward and a supplementary communiqué said that some units had reached the vicinity of Huiwang, a way between Nanking and the Yangtze.

## Congressional Session Closes; Many Measures Are Sidelined

Partisan Battles Expected To Mark New Session Jan. 10 Controversial Legislation

By WILLIAM F. ARBOGAST

WASHINGTON, Dec. 21 (AP)—The seventy-eighth Congress headed homeward today to learn, during the next twenty days, what the voters think of a nine-months, first-session record of all-out co-operation with the war effort and sporadic but successful onslaughts against the administration's home front program.

Routine proceedings in the Senate and the House closed the books on a session that marked loss of administration legislative control for the first time since Franklin D. Roosevelt became president in 1933.

Returning on January 10 for an extra session, the threat of threats to be sparked by partisan battles, the law-makers will face a heavy docket of highly controversial legislation sidetracked in the last-minute rush.

Taxes, subsidies, wages, and mustering-out pay for servicemen are high on the calendar of unfinished business.

Already passed by the House, the tax bill, cut to a mere shadow of what the administration asked in the way of revenue, awaits Senate disposition.

Hanging fire in that branch also is a House-passed bill boosting ceiling prices on crude oil in the face of administration contentions it will blast a hole in the anti-inflation claim.

Rail Pay Bill Sidetracked

The Senate's gifts to the House not to be opened until after Christmas, include legislation boosting by eight cents an hour the pay of non-operating railway workers and providing up to \$500 mustering-out pay for discharged members of the armed forces.

The House Interstate committee sidetracked the railway pay bill until next year after directing a sub-committee to prepare an amendment taking from the Office of Economic Stabilization all jurisdiction over the pay of rail workers.

The House Military committee put off action on mustering-out pay amid indications a program calling also for a bonus for servicemen would be presented early in the year.

Biggest fight in prospect for the opening weeks of the new session involves the administration's food subsidy program, twice belted down this year by the House and once by the Senate. A final decision may not come until February 17, when under a resolution shoved through (Continued on Page 5, Col. 4)

## Lucas Plans Bill To Facilitate Voting by Those in Armed Forces

WASHINGTON, Dec. 21 (AP)—Senator Lucas (D-III) said after a talk with President Roosevelt today that he will introduce a compromise bill to facilitate servicemen's voting through a federal commission which would merely distribute and collect the ballots for the states.

His announcement came after the president said at his news conference that every man and woman in the armed services ought to have opportunity to vote in next year's elections unless combat circumstances prevent.

Mr. Roosevelt's statement is in line with the principle of the new bill I will offer," Lucas said. "The waiving of registration and poll tax requirements is called for by some states will be left in the bill as under the 1942 law."

"We would merely make a federal commission an instrument for distributing the ballot," he added. "It would have empowered a commission to pass on the validity (Continued on Page 5, Col. 5)

## NAZI TROOPS IN ZHITOMIR, GERMANS SAY



THIS GERMAN PICTURE was serviced by the Swedish picture agency Pressens Bild in Stockholm with caption saying it shows German soldiers penetrating into one of the burning streets of Zhitomir, Russia. Zhitomir was reportedly recaptured by the Germans in their counter-offensive in the Kiev bulge. (Picture by radio from Stockholm to New York.)

### PORK CHOP DIVIDEND DECLARED BY OPA

WASHINGTON, Dec. 21 (AP)—The Office of Price Administration declared a pork chop dividend tonight. It designated spare ration stamp No. 1 in Ration Book Number 4, as good for an extra five points in the purchase of pork.

The order, effective at midnight tonight, was issued to meet rapidly-mounting pressure on the hog markets and storage facilities where swine and meat were piling up without enough takers.

The extra points are good only until midnight Sunday, Jan. 2.

OPA said the temporary validation of a special stamp for extra pork provided "the simplest and most effective manner for getting the unexpectedly large civilian supply of pork into the hands of the housewife." Chester Bowles, OPA administrator, said the housewife may use the spare stamp only for the purchase of pork.

OPA reported that surveys indicate the average person spends between eleven and twelve of the individual's sixteen weekly ration points for meat. With the lobs and other choice cuts of pork at four points, a family of five using the new spare stamp one, temporarily, will be able to buy about twenty pounds a week. Of the cheaper cuts, such as shoulders, the family could buy about forty pounds a week.

The special pork stamp is available only to housewives and other individuals holding ration book four.

OPA said it was not practical to make similar provision for restaurants, hotels and others under the institutional rationing program.

The spare stamp is good for all pork items including cured bacon and ham.

Earlier Senator Gillette (D-Ia) had reported war mobilization Director James F. Byrnes as "very favorable" to his suggestion for temporary removal of all rationing restrictions on pork, but no such summary action had been expected in other quarters.

### Associated Press Correspondent Wounded

LONDON, Dec. 21 (AP)—Lynn Heinzerling, Associated Press correspondent with the British Eighth Army, suffered a wound in his left arm yesterday when a bullet pierced his jacket and shirt during fighting in the Ortona sector, the Manchester Guardian said today.

This army and the Partisans working behind it in Russian guerrilla fashion have broken six successive offensives.

The Partisans, it can be said definitely, now have an army of 250,000 or more men regularly organized in divisions and corps but handicapped by a lack of heavy weapons. They are guided, however, by one of the ablest military intelligence systems functioning in Europe.

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In addition they are conducting hit-and-run operations against an additional three or four Nazi divisions to the north near and over the frontiers of Italy. Thus the activities of the Partisans are tying up more than 200,000 Nazi first line troops.

British and American staff officers already had completed their talks with Tito's men and the Russians were reported to have arrived at their headquarters during the day to take up their share of the job.

This gathering of force in Italy (Continued on Page 5, Col. 4)

Lucas' plan to facilitate voting by those in the armed forces

## GEN. GEORGE C. MARSHALL CONFERS WITH MACARTHUR IN NEW GUINEA

ADVANCED ALLIED HEADQUARTERS IN NEW GUINEA, Wednesday, Dec. 22 (AP)—Gen. George C. Marshall, United States army chief of staff, has held a conference with Gen. Douglas MacArthur, commander of Allied operations in the South and Southwest Pacific. It was disclosed today.

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## Morgenthau's Criticism of Tax Bill Draws Fire

Sen. George Has "No Apology" for Failure To Reach Goal

WASHINGTON, Dec. 21 (AP)—Senator George (D-Ga) tonight issued a scathing reply to Secretary Morgenthau's criticism of the new tax bill and particularly its war contract renegotiation law amendments, declaring:

"Mr. Morgenthau knows nothing about the renegotiation of contracts act and less about how it is actually administered."

George, chairman of the Senate Finance committee which completed work on the \$2,275,600,000 bill today, said he had "no apology" for the failure to reach Morgenthau's goal of \$10,500,000,000 additional revenue.

Further, he defended the proposed freeze of social security tax rates at one per cent each on employers and employees throughout 1944, saying there is no justification for increasing the rates at this time.

Press Conference Called

Morgenthau told a press conference yesterday that the amendments to the renegotiation law proposed by the Senate committee would open the door to "truly extortionate profits" by war contractors.

George called a press conference to reply.

He declared Morgenthau's denunciation of the renegotiation sections, came "with exceeding bad grace" that the secretary had "failed to take a position on renegotiation and had offered no suggestions or recommendations."

"Mr. Morgenthau not only has failed to take appropriate steps to protect the revenue," George said, "but has been of no help at all to the Finance committee concerning renegotiation since it was absorbed into the revenue law."

At the same time the Russians announced the liquidation of a German bridgehead on the south bank of the Dnieper across from Kherson, near the great river's mouth. More than 2,000 Germans were killed in the three-day battle that wrecked twenty-one of their tanks, seventy-eight artillery pieces and cost them in addition great stores of war material and numerous prisoners.

Germans Renew Attacks

Besides these two Russian victories, the front was blazing in other areas along the 800-mile battle line.

The Moscow midnight communiqué, recorded by the Soviet Monitor from a broadcast, said the Germans had lashed out in an important counterattack in the Zhitomir area of White Russia while the Nazi counteroffensive in the area west of Kiev, underway for weeks, took on new momentum.

The more northerly German drive was apparently in the area between Zhitomir and the Berezina river, where the Russians had been

driven from the south bank of the Dnieper across from Kherson, near the great river's mouth. More than 2,000 Germans were killed in the three-day battle that wrecked twenty-one of their tanks, seventy-eight artillery pieces and cost them in addition great stores of war material and numerous prisoners.

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Amendments Criticized

Morgenthau had been particularly critical of amendments which exempt from renegotiation all contracts for "standard commercial articles," and the retroactive exemption of subcontracts where the goods do not enter into the final product.

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Great Fires Started

Reconnaissance photographs showed great fires and columns of smoke rising from many parts of Bremen.

Only three times before had more bomb-tonnage been dropped by United States planes on a single target city in one day. The 500-bomber fighter also has been topped on three United States raids, possibly by as many as 100.

The Mannheim-Ludwigshafen attack effectively sucked in swarms of Nazi night fighters which dashed across Germany from defensive concentrations around Berlin.

As the RAF fliers turned home from the twin target they saw the Nazi fighters racing frantically back to the main target at Frankfurt.

But the Nazi interceptors were too late to save the great rubber, chemical and oil plants.

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New Bolivian Government Will Abide by Commitments to Allies

LA PAZ, Bolivia, Dec. 21 (AP)—Characterizing its policy as nationalist, leftist and pro-United Nations, the day-old Bolivian government maintained a military grip upon the nation tonight as it confidently awaited recognition by other American governments.

The new regime, swept into office in a bloody coup yesterday, is headed by Major Gualberto Villarroel and Finance Minister Victor Paz Estenssoro. It already has made its bid for recognition in a formal announcement, and foreign diplomats here said they would meet daily until the question was settled.

The capital was comparatively quiet after the pre-dawn revolt marked by shooting. During the night soldiers and police toured the city in trucks as a precautionary measure. Traffic police carried rifles.

The general conferred with Adm. Chester W. Nimitz, commander in chief of the Pacific, and Lt. Gen. MacArthur, commander in chief of the Southwest Pacific.

General Marshall, making his first appearance of the war in the

## 1,100,000 Non-operating Workers Set December 30 As Time To Quit Work

Operating Brotherhoods Already Had Called Strike for Same Date; Reject President Roosevelt's Basis for Settlement of Wage Dispute; President Says Strike Would Hurt War Effort

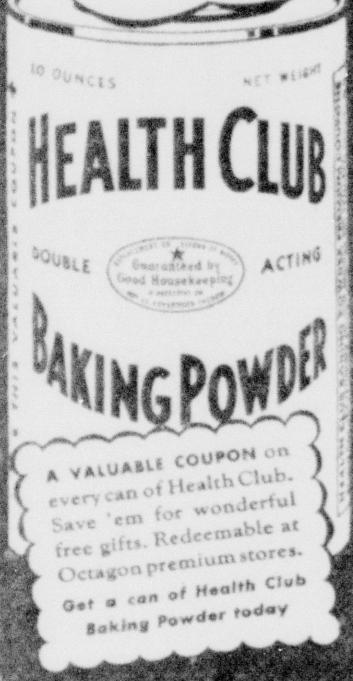
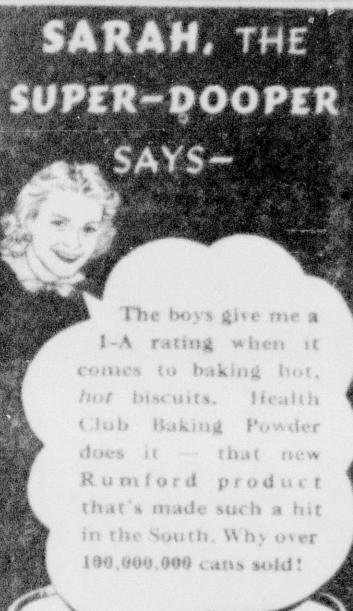
WASHINGTON, Dec. 21 (AP)—Leaders of fifteen non-operating railroad unions numbering 1,100,000 workers tonight set December 30 at 6 a.m. for a nationwide strike.

The operating brotherhoods representing 350,000, already had called a strike for the same date, and tonight they rejected a plan put forward by President Roosevelt as a basis for settlement of the wage dispute.

The fifteen non-operating union chiefs said ninety-eight per cent of their membership had voted in favor of striking to enforce their wage demands.

Unions Issue Statement

The heads of the non-operating unions (clerks, shopmen, etc.)



## NINE DRAFT APPEAL PANELS WILL BE SET UP IN MARYLAND

BALTIMORE, Dec. 21 (AP)—Nine draft appeal panels will be added to the present five boards in Maryland, Col. Henry C. Stanwood, Selective Service director for Maryland, announced today.

The new appeal boards are needed to fill the growing number of appeal cases and the task of reviewing the occupational deferments of all registrants whose places of employment and local draft boards are in different appeal-board areas.

A special distributing center also has been set up in state draft headquarters in the Fifth Regiment armory to route occupational deferment reviews to the proper boards. Between 45,000 and 50,000 employees in Maryland industries have received occupational deferments from local boards in other areas and all these cases must now be reviewed by the Maryland Appeal Boards, state draft officials said.

The draft deferment appeals still are to be filed through local draft boards, Colonel Stanwood said. The local draft boards will channel the

appeal case to the proper board through the distribution center in headquarters.

The new system is expected to put a tighter check on occupational deferments for men from out-of-state areas.

## Strike Is Reported In Algiers

NEW ORLEANS Dec. 21 (AP)—An informant at the office of John L. Kenny of the United States Conciliation Service said today that Mr. Kenny is investigating reports of la-

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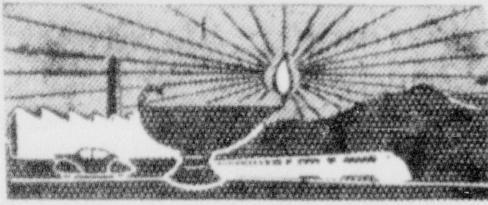
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## Federal Tax Limitation Movement Grows in Favor

THOSE who have viewed with favor the proposal to amend the federal constitution to place a ceiling on federal taxation, and this newspaper believes their number is large, will be interested in a report coming from the Committee for Constitutional Government that interest in the movement has become much greater.

With the addition of Alabama, the legislatures of seven states this year approved submission of the amendment, making a total of fifteen states taking such action. As heretofore noted in discussion of the subject in this department, when thirty-two state legislatures have passed the resolution, Congress is required to act.

The federal tax limitation ideas is not a new one. When the Sixteenth amendment was debated in Congress, it was suggested that a ten per cent limit be placed on income tax levies, but it was not adopted and the amendment ultimately passed without any restrictions either as to exemptions, gradations or limitations, more's the pity. The present movement appears to stem from the introduction of a joint resolution in Congress January 3, 1936, by Representative Emanuel Celler, of New York, for submission of a twenty-five per cent ceiling on income, gift and estate taxes.

First fruit ripened in Wyoming, which adopted a resolution for such limitation and its governor, Nels Smith, submitted the proposal to the governors of all the other states urging action on it.

The question has been raised whether the proposed limitation would prevent raising enough money to balance the wartime budget, an important question, and there is a convincing answer from advocates that, in the case of the income tax, which produces most of the revenue, the lower rate, over a period of time, would produce the greater revenue. Presidents Wilson and Coolidge so held.

Congress passed a tax act in 1926 reducing the maximum individual income tax rate from forty-six per cent to twenty-five per cent, and two years later reduced the rate still further to twenty-four per cent; and the result was the production of greater revenues under the lower rates.

The explanation for this paradox is that the lower rate leaves more income in the hands of the taxpayers which, when invested and out to work, produces more wealth; and that the lower rate encourages the production of wealth. That, when invested, produces additional income, which in turn, when invested, produces still more, and so on.

Thus, it does not appear that the proposed twenty-five per cent limitation would endanger the federal finances. On the contrary, it would help the budget; and a drastic cut in tax rates will be necessary in the postwar period in order to keep industry operating at a satisfactory level, provide adequate markets and make possible the employment that will be needed for all, particularly members of the armed forces returning to civil life.

## Much Bitter Fighting Is Yet in Prospect

TO CHEERLY OPTIMISTS who talk as if Germany were about to collapse, and as if victory then would be served on a golden platter, thoughtful study of the news from the Ukraine is recommended.

That terrific German counter-drive for Kiev cannot save Hitler's armies from eventual defeat on the Russian front. So Field Marshal von Manstein's staggering expenditure of German lives and German materiel must be viewed as a sacrificial delaying action. The inescapable conclusion is this:

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## Traffic Accidents During Holidays

WHY are there so many traffic deaths and injuries at holiday periods? The answer is thoughtlessness. Too many drivers are merely careless and proceed to take chances. Too many pedestrians are intent solely upon their own convenience, and do not take into consideration the rights of motorists. Both drivers and pedestrians know that traffic accidents in which they or others are victims cause pain and suffering and perhaps enduring grief, but they do not think about the fact enough to realize its full implications. They do not realize it until after the accident has occurred. Then they think how well off they were before, but didn't appreciate it.

No American civilian would want the task of even informing a soldier in the South Pacific that his father or mother or sister or brother had been killed in a traffic accident back home. But the careless driver whose recklessness results in a death or injury may be forcing someone to do just that, and such a driver might long remember the grief that he caused in a soldier's heart.

## A Futile Potomac Santa Claus

REPRESENTATIVE USHER L. BURDICK, of North Dakota, is no salesman, or he would have known better. Even seven years in Washington have not taught him much about salesmanship. But then, of course, he is a Republican.

Distressed by the high price of Washington Christmas trees, the bighearted but somewhat guileless North Dakotan cut a truckload of young evergreens off his thickly forested Maryland farm, hauled them to a lot near the House Office building, and offered them free to all and sundry passers-by. But the people were suspicious. They no sooner heard the kind offer than they gave the poor congressman a startled look and tore out for home.

Representative Burdick should not have called his pines and cedars Christmas trees. He should have called them Hopkins trees, or AAA plum trees, or bureaucratic beeches. If any of these names had failed to convince Washingtonians that the taxpayers had put out real money for the greenery somewhere along the line, surely the generous congressman could have quickly assured each tree a Merry Christmas by a three-word talk—"compliments of Congress."

Both management and labor originally agreed to the increase, but Economic Stabilizer Fred Vinson twice rejected the arrangement on the grounds that it would menace the "hold the line against inflation" order of the chief executive.

Informed Capitol Hill sources, basing their belief on a radio address by War Mobilizer Byrnes, predict that Roosevelt is nearly certain to veto the measure. Byrnes described the rail workers as "holding a political pistol at the head of congress."

Whether the Senate and House have sufficient votes to override a veto remains problematical.

**Halleck Cools on Willkie**

GOPOLITICS are watching with keen interest the selection of Rep. Charles A. Halleck, of Indiana, as chairman of the national Republican congressional campaign committee succeeding Rep. J. William Ditter, of Pennsylvania, killed in an airplane crash.

That question, posed by a leader in the fight against juvenile delinquency, gives something for those engaged in that fight to ponder.

**If O. P. A. ever wakes up to the fact that music soothes the savage breast it probably will start sending out a tune with every new order.**

An Indianapolis grocer talked a burglar into giving himself up. We ought to let that fellow work on the Germans for awhile.

**Hills To Climb**

By MARSHALL MASLIN

Sometimes we talk as though everything were finished, as though human nature were complete. As though we had come a long way, up through the ages, to stand at last, journey ended, on the summit of the hill we saw so far away.

We know we are imperfect. Know we have our weaknesses and dreadful foolishnesses. No preaching man need tell us about ourselves. We know just what our faults are.

But somehow we seem to be always assuming that the human race has reached its goal at last and should be able to lie down now and look back at the long road it has traveled—see the twisting and turning—see the swamps and precipices—and see, after we have finished our present dreadful tragedy, the savagery and barbarism and the wickedness all behind us and rest our bones in humble victory.

We talk about nature and evolution and unceasing change. We hear the astronomers talk about the stars and the blazing suns and how they are young and then old and how our own sun is gradually getting colder (or perhaps it isn't).

And we talk as if we were outside nature, set aside for some special purpose, all by ourselves. (Or if we don't talk, that's how we feel about things.)

Well, it isn't true. We haven't reached the end of our road. We are on no final summit. There are mighty hills still to climb. You can see them, snow covered, shining in the sun, far over there. . . . We ARE on our way and we needn't be taking our troubles and worries as personal insults, as the brutal bigdegoings of fate. They are but growing pains, struggling, heaving, journeying pains.

We are not outside of Nature, either. Nature is within us and we change as everything else does. The hills are worn down and lifted up again. So are we. Nature does things to worms and snails and little furry things and great elephants; she does not overlook us. Beneath her great hand we are also shaped for some future function and Nature that is beyond us is also within us, like the air we breath. . . . We may never attain perfection and from my point of view we would have a dangerous and dull life if we ever did.

**LEADS INVADERS**

By MARSHALL MASLIN

THE explanation for this paradox is that the lower rate leaves more income in the hands of the taxpayers which, when invested and out to work, produces more wealth; and that the lower rate encourages the production of wealth. That, when invested, produces additional income, which in turn, when invested, produces still more, and so on.

Thus, it does not appear that the proposed twenty-five per cent limitation would endanger the federal finances. On the contrary, it would help the budget; and a drastic cut in tax rates will be necessary in the postwar period in order to keep industry operating at a satisfactory level, provide adequate markets and make possible the employment that will be needed for all, particularly members of the armed forces returning to civil life.

**Much Bitter Fighting Is Yet in Prospect**

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## Greater Submarine Activity by Japan Is Now Expected

By CENTRAL PRESS

WASHINGTON—Some navy officials in Washington are expecting intensification of Japan's submarine campaign against Allied merchant shipping in the Pacific resulting from the current offensive which deprived the Nips of valuable air bases on the west flank of the shipping routes.

Hitherto, the Japs relied on planes from the Solomons and Gilberts to threaten American shipping and to force vessels to take a wide, time-consuming detour on the route to the southwest Pacific.

Best bet is that the Jap, having lost his air bases in the Solomons and Gilberts, will resort to other tactics.

Early in the war, the Jap used his submarine fleet—except in a few isolated cases—in conjunction with his surface forces against American warships. These tactics proved costly to Americans early in the war, both in the Solomons and elsewhere.

Prediction: Japan may attempt sub attacks against Allied merchant shipping, but most navy men feel the enemy high command has waited too long. If such a method is used, it probably will do little harm to Allied shipping—which now is well protected in convoys.

**Veto Looms**

A presidential veto looms for the Senate railway wage resolution when it finally reaches Roosevelt's desk.

The measure, which by now is certain to have been approved by the upper chamber, declares valid a straight eight-cents-an-hour pay hike for 100,000 non-operating trainmen.

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## Cost of Living May Rise in '44, Bowles Asserts

WASHINGTON, Dec. 21 (AP) — Whether the OPA can hold present prices in line in 1944 is dependent primarily on the decision of Congress in connection with subsidies, but stable wages and public support also are involved, Price Administrator Chester Bowles said tonight.

"Granting that we get the subsidy money," Bowles said in a radio address over the Blue network, "we will only be able to control the cost of living if (1) wages remain at their present levels, and (2) all of us develop a far greater understanding that actual compliance with OPA ceiling prices is a community responsibility."

Congress has postponed until next year a decision on continuation of subsidies.

Of rationing during 1944, the OPA chief predicted:

"In general, our canned goods

supply should hold at roughly the present levels. Our meat supply should be thoroughly ample during the early winter months. In the spring, we will have somewhat less meat than we have at present."

The meat ration today, Bowles said, is twenty-nine per cent higher than last March when meat was first rationed.

Gasoline supplies will continue tight during 1944, but the passenger's situation "should be somewhat relieved if it is possible to produce the 30,000,000 tires considered minimum requirement by the office of the rubber director," Bowles reported.

Truck tire supply will continue to be "severely short for some time," the administrator said.

Reviewing OPA's efforts to hold prices in line, Bowles said the cost of living stands approximately where it was eight months ago, adding:

"That is a record the whole country can be proud of, because it is the first time since January 1941, that the cost of living has been held stable for so long."

## Gripe Cases Are Increasing

BALTIMORE, Dec. 21 (AP) — Dr. C. H. Halliday, chief of the state department's bureau of communicable diseases, reported today that prevalence of gripe was increasing among Maryland children.

In compiling a report for the regular meeting Thursday of the state board of health, Dr. Halliday cited the condition in several counties.

Dr. Halliday said that 500 school children were scheduled to be inoculated against diphtheria in Ellwood City, but that only 150 could appear because of the disease.

## Churchill Is Better

LONDON, Dec. 21 (AP) — Prime Minister Churchill showed improvement for the fifth successive day today in his bout with pneumonia.

Signed by the doctors attending him somewhere in the Middle East, a bulletin issued at No. 10 Downing street, Churchill's official residence, said today:

"The prime minister continues to improve. The condition of circulation is more satisfactory."

## RUSSIANS DRIVE ON POLOTSK



THE RED ARMY'S great winter offensive in the Nevel sector, pointed toward Polotsk, was believed to have carried the Russians within about forty miles of the latter city. The Russians were a little more than 200 miles from Riga, on the Baltic sea. Shaded area is held by Germans and Finns.

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time" for the first forty-eight hours in any week.

Putting them on a basic forty-hour week would mean a substantial increase in weekly earnings, but Mr. Roosevelt told his press-radio conference this increase would clearly be within the Wage Stabilization act.

He intimated that he might turn to Congress to effect such a settlement if railroad management did not agree to it. The forty-hour week could be instituted, he remarked, either by legislation or agreement.

The president was emphatic that there must not be a railroad strike. He said he had told representatives of railroad management and the operating brotherhoods that a strike probably would be the most serious blow which could be directed against the war effort.

It is not only a question of maintaining production in this country, he said, but of supplying the men overseas who are engaged in fighting the enemy.

The finest Christmas present the American people could get would be the news that there would be no strike, he concluded.

The railroad dispute is in two parts, one involving the five operating brotherhoods—the men who operate trains—and the other the fifteen non-operating unions representing the clerks, shopmen and others who do not operate trains.

The operating brotherhoods, with 350,000 members, have called a strike for Dec. 30 to protest a special Mediation Board's award of four cents an hour wage increase. They had asked thirty per cent or \$3 a day, whichever was highest in individual cases.

The non-operating unions, with 1,100,000 members, asked twenty cents an hour increase. A special board recommended eight cents, but this was set aside by Stabilization Director Fred M. Vinson, and a second board recommended a sliding scale of increases ranging from ten cents an hour for lower-paid employees to four cents for those in the higher-paid brackets.

### Railroad's Agreed To Raise

The railroads, meantime, had agreed to pay eight cents increase and the Senate has approved a resolution to set aside Vinson's ruling and make this increase effective.

The union completed a strike ballot last month, but held off announcing the results.

Mr. Roosevelt estimated a basic forty-hour week for operating brotherhoods would mean an average increase of about eight cents an hour in current individual earnings. This eight cents would include the four cents recommended by the special board plus an additional four cents from the change in the basic working week.

The president said that in the case of men paid on a mileage basis, as are most of those who operate trains, something could be worked out to give an equivalent increase.

He made no estimate as to what the forty-hour week would mean in increased earnings for the non-operating employees. However, a union spokesman said it might run six cents an hour, more or less, depending upon what increase in straight time rates accompanied it.

This spokesman said a flat eight cents an hour increase would add about \$204,000,000 to annual wage costs of the railroads, and that the forty-hour week would add an additional sum equal to three-fourths of that or \$153,000,000.

The Vinson sliding scale is estimated to raise wage costs \$175,000,000 a year. By the three-fourths formula, additional costs of the forty-four week of the Vinson scale were adopted would be \$138,750,000.

### Lend-Lease Extended

It extended for another two years the lend-lease program to keep up the flow of aid to our Allies, and renewed the president's power to negotiate reciprocal trade agreements.

It liberalized allotments to dependents of servicemen and women and revised the draft law in response to a clamor to keep postwar fathers out of uniform until all available non-fathers had been called.

It went on record, in separate resolutions adopted in both branches, as favoring postwar collaboration with other nations in working out a future free from war and want.

Over a presidential veto and amid loud protests from organized labor, Congress engraved on the statute books the Smith-Connally war labor disputes act designed to minimize strikes.

Numerically and usually in control in the Senate, Democrats in the House were at the mercy of a strong Republican minority which worked in harmony with anti-New Deal Democrats to shape the policies of that branch. As the session ended, Republicans held 208 House seats, the same number they started with, while the Democratic majority, 222 at the start of the year, was whittled down to 218 at the end through deaths and special elections.

## U. S. Planes Raid Marshalls Again

Maloelap, Largest Atoll in Radak Chain, Is Target of Attack

By ARTHUR BURGESS

PEARL HARBOR, Dec. 21 (AP) — A third raid by big land-based American bombers on the Marshall Islands Sunday, in which seven intercepting Japanese planes were destroyed, was reported today by Admiral Chester W. Nimitz.

Target of the attack was Maloelap, the largest atoll in the Mariana Islands, easterly Radak chain and a threat to our positions in the Gilbert Islands which we won from the airmen since No. 17, but numerous Japanese fighters still give bat-

ter flight. In addition to the seven planes probably shot down, five others were damaged.

All American planes returned, two of them damaged and carrying three wounded men.

Yesterday Nimitz reported two raids on Mill, at the southern end of the Radak chain, in which four Japanese planes were destroyed. The two raids on Mill and the one on Maloelap all occurred Sunday—the first time there have been three army raids on the Marshalls in a single day and the twelfth successive day of aerial attacks on the Marshalls.

The report that twenty-five interceptors rose to meet the army bombers shows that Japanese air opposition in the islands—their closest possession to the continental United States—continues active. Army air forces have made half a dozen good sized raids on Maloelap and its heavily protected Tarawa Islands which we won from the airmen since No. 17, but numerous Japanese fighters still give bat-

## Girl Is Acquitted

BURLINGTON, Ky., Dec. 21 (AP) — Joan Kiger, 16-year-old school girl on trial on charges of slaying her 6-year-old brother Jerry, was acquitted by an all-male jury tonight which reached a verdict after four hours and ten minutes of deliberation.

## O'Conor Reappoints Holzer

ANNAPOLIS, Md., Dec. 21 (AP) — Governor O'Conor announced the reappointment today of J. Howard Holzer to the state industrial accident commission.

## Weather in Nearby States

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Wing Back Living Room Chairs	49.50
Lounge Chairs and Ottoman	29.50
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9 x 12 Axminster Type Felt Rugs	14.95
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## Girl Scout Leaders To Hold Annual Meeting

Officers Will Be Elected and Reports Made Next Month

### SHIRTWAIST DRESS



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being assisted by Alice Jean Borkman, Sara Lee Wilson and Robert Doty.

### Will Hold Party

Allegany high school home room 113, with Miss Theresa Nicht, teacher, will hold a Christmas party from 8 to 11 o'clock this evening at Central Y.M.C.A.

A program consisting of Christmas carols, various games and dancing will be held. Jingle prizes will also be given, and refreshments will be served. Approximately forty members are expected to attend.

James Radcliffe is chairman of the committee of arrangements. He is



## Cantata Will Be Given in Centre Street Church

## New Year's Eve Events Planned by Shrine Here

Dance at Club from 10 P. M. to 3 A. M. Will Be Principal Feature

Centre Street Methodist church will have three Yule time observances December 26. The morning worship service at 11 o'clock; a Christmas Cantata by the Mixed Chorus and Orchestra of Allegany high school, with Miss Dorothy Willis directing at 4:30 o'clock and a Christmas entertainment by the Sunday school at 7:30 o'clock.

The worship service will open with an organ prelude, "Jesus Bambino;" You; followed by the call to worship; group singing of the hymn, "This Is My Father's World," the hymn, "O Taste and See," "Song of the Ages," "Be Still My Soul," and "Faith of Our Fathers." W. Cletus Hartsock will sing a solo number, "It Came Upon the Midnight Clear."

"In Him Was Life and the Life Was the Light of Men" will be the text of the sermon by the Rev. Dr. Walter M. Michael, D.D., pastor. The Rev. Mr. Michael will also give the Scripture lesson and benediction. Responsive reading will also be included.

The afternoon program will open with a selection by the orchestra and be followed by the hymn, "O Little Town of Bethlehem," and a pastoral prayer by the Rev. Mr. Michael, and the singing of "Sing, O Sing This Blessed Morn."

Kathryn Richards will be narrator for the cantata, "The Child Jesus." Mary Louise Bender, Eleanor Andrews and Helen Welsh will be the accompanists.

The cantata will include the Prophesy; the Annunciation, with Ada Romaine singing the soprano solo part; the Angels, with Lois Sline, soloist; the First Noel; the Shepherds; the Star; the Wise Men, with solo by Robert Martin, Donald Fresh, and Edward Jenkins; at the Manger; with Betty Cessna, singing the soprano solo and Jacqueline Loar and Helen Smith a duet; Mary's Lullaby, with Rosemary Ferrone soloist; "O Holy Night," with solo parts sung by Lois Sline and Earlene Hardman; Silent Night and Adeste Fideles. The service will close with the benediction.

The Sunday school entertainment will open with a selection by the Sunday school orchestra, will include a program by the Cradle Roll department; a one act play, "Christmas Everywhere;" recitations by the Beginner and Primary departments; a play, "The Arrival of Santa Claus;" a pastoral prayer and benediction. The hymns will be "O Come All Ye Faithful," and "O Little Town of Bethlehem."

Other officers re-elected are Mrs. Lillian Smith, secretary; Mrs. Carl H. Koerner, treasurer; Mrs. Raymond Hinkle, flower chairman. A Christmas basket was also packed.

At the party held at the conclusion of the business session a gift was presented to the teacher, Mrs. Howard Perrin, in appreciation of her service for the past thirty-five years. Class sisters exchanged gifts and new sisters for the ensuing year were chosen. Group singing of Christmas carols featured the program and Mrs. Perrin led the devotions. Mrs. Earl Tobler, Fort Wayne, Ind., was a guest and eighteen members attended.

Mrs. Bertie Henry will be hostess to the group at 7:30 o'clock January 20, at her home, Maryland avenue. The service will close with the benediction.

Engineering Club of Oumerland last evening with an informal dinner at the All Ghan Shrine Country club, J. C. Whitesel served as toastmaster, and impromptu talks were given by Edgar Vandegrift and James McGibson.

Poinsettias, pine and Christmas balls decorated the tables. Covers were laid for thirty-eight guests.

Cards and dancing featured the entertainment during the evening. Mr. Vandegrift, James Thayer and Theodore Carlson comprised the committee of arrangements.

### Personals

Sgt. John Richard Hyde, United States Army and Mrs. Hyde have returned to Columbia, S. C., where he is in service at Fort Jackson, after visiting at the home of his father, H. S. Hyde and his grandmother, Mrs. R. H. Deetz, Greene street.

Charles May, All Ghan Shrine Country Club, has recovered from the grippe, after being ill for the past couple of weeks.

Pvt. W. Bruce Long, Jr., Shreveport, La., is spending a ten-day furlough with his parents in LaVale.

Donald Frederick White, petty officer, third class, United States Navy, is home for the holiday season with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Emory L. White, 410 Maryland avenue, and his brother and sister-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd White, LaVale.

Corp. Tech. William L. Grey, Two Hundred Eighty-seventh F. A. Camp Polk, La., is visiting his mother, Mrs. Maude Wotring, Browning street.

James E. Harrison recently returned from England and is on furlough at the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Edgar Harrison, Ridgeley, W. Va. He has received two Purple Heart awards for wounds received in action.

Mrs. Robert N. Chaney, Bedford road, returned from Atlantic City, after visiting her husband, Pfc. Robert N. Chaney, a patient at England General Hospital.

Pfc. Cecil A. Grimes returned to Camp Miles Standish, Mass., after a five day furlough with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Cecil Grimes, 453 Central avenue.

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### Events in Brief

The operetta, "Christmas with the Old Woman Who Lived in a Shoe," which was scheduled to be given December 27 at the Kingsley Methodist church has been indefinitely postponed because of illness of some of the cast.

The Diesel club will hold a dinner meeting at 6:30 o'clock tomorrow evening at the All Ghan Shrine Country Club.

The Junior Girls Choral Club Choir of Allegany high school will present a program of Christmas Carols from 8:15 to 9 o'clock this evening at the Queen City Station, under the direction of Miss Dorothy Willison.

The Christmas party of the Keating Memorial Day Nursery, scheduled for today has been postponed.

The Sewing Group for World Relief which meets each Wednesday evening at the First Presbyterian church house, will not meet today or next week. Mrs. W. Carl White announces. Meetings will be resumed January 5.

Church Will Have Service Christmas Eve

The Christmas service at Kingsley Methodist church will be held at 11 o'clock Christmas eve instead of Christmas morning, the Rev. H. A. Kester, pastor announces.

It will be a candlelight carol service and the Rev. Mr. Kester will give the meditation. There will also be a special musical program by the choir.

Miss Martin Entertains

Miss Mary Martin entertained a group of her friends from the twisting block 3 and 1 of the Celanese Corporation of America, with a Christmas party last evening at her home, 613 Fairview avenue.

Gifts were exchanged and informal entertainment concluded the evening. The house was decorated with laurel and crowfoot with a large Christmas tree as the central decoration. Candles and pine decorated the table and covers were laid for twelve.



## V. F. W. Auxiliary Past Presidents Plan Party

Officers Will Also Be Elected at Meeting To Be Held January 31

conclusion of the business session and gifts were exchanged. Secret sisters for the ensuing year were selected. Supper was served by Mrs. Lindamond and her co-hostess, Mrs. Rachael Innes. Miniature Christmas trees centered the table and the holiday motif was carried out in the favors and table appointments.

Mrs. Helen Stevens and Mrs. Jessie Wilson of the Frostburg club; Mrs. Catherine O'Toole and Mrs. Eleanor Conter were guests. Twelve members attended.



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The last time was when his wife wrote him in North Africa from Little Rock, Ark. The letter was returned by the censor with "deceased" penciled on the envelope.

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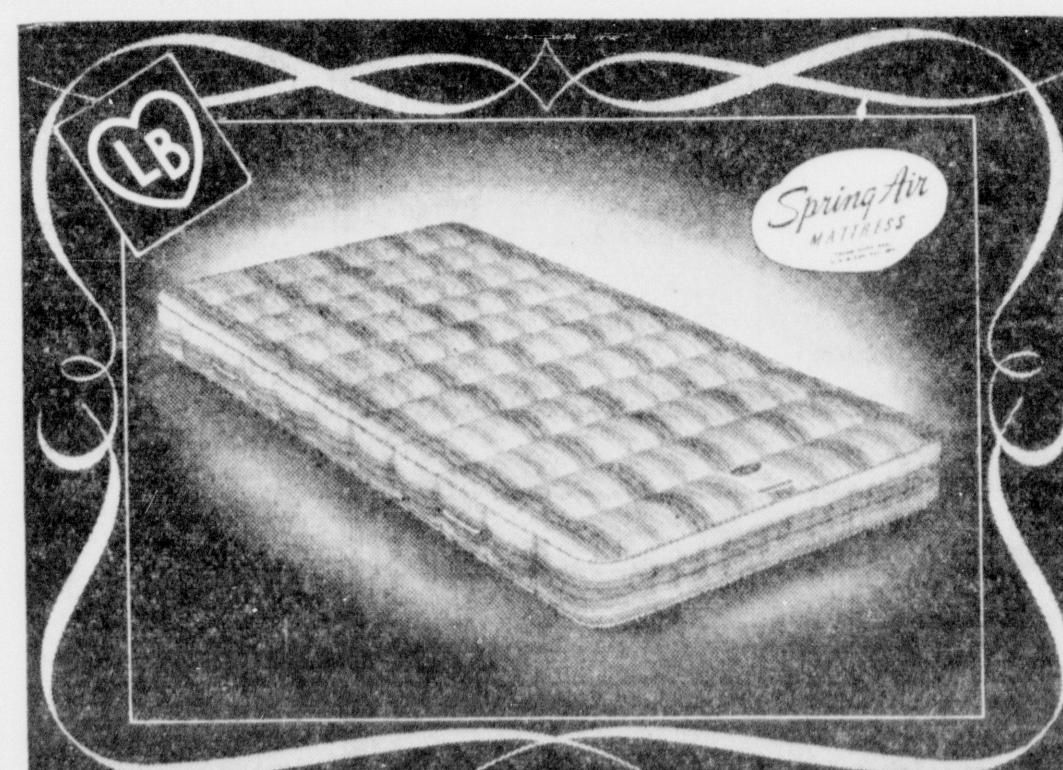
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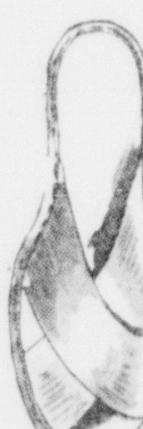
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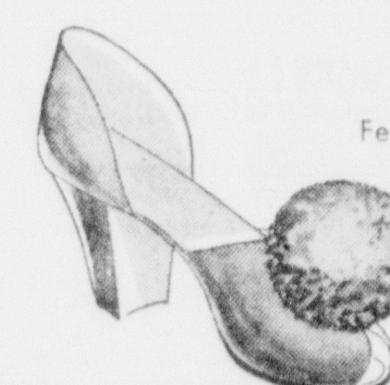
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CHAPTER FORTY-SEVEN had smoothed away her look of desire for escape. Beth felt of water and she clutched the post chill run through her veins. Never the bed to give herself support moving her eyes from Andrea's face, she asked, "What can you do?" Looking steadily into her face, where a strange smile made her waver in her instinctive

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resolution not to help you do anything so cruel and selfish as you ask?"

"I can tell you that I know, and always have known, that you were, and are now, in love with Jim Ronald," Andrea said quietly.

Beth's heart cried, "No, you wouldn't have done this thing to me!" But she stood tight-lipped and silent.

"That's not very nice, is it, Beth?"

I pretended that I thought you were just good friends, but I knew I knew was breaking your heart when I made him love me, and still I did it."

Beth's white face was utterly still.

"Shall I tell you how it began, Beth? I didn't care a thing for Jim, but I hated his not caring anything for me. I knew he didn't like me. I had to make him see that I'm what I am. I knew when it began, this thing that is like hatred. It's primitive, but my kind of woman knows what it is, and it's exciting, challenging."

"Must I hear this?" Beth turned to go, but Andrea's hand shot out to catch her.

"Yes, you must!" Andrea said with harsh brightness. "I want you to know I could have stopped it, Beth. You could have had Jim because he loved you."

"Please stop, Andrea," Beth pleaded.

"I'm not going to stop until you've heard it all. I'm giving him back to you, Beth. Jim, who will love you again, and need you, will turn from me to you. You'll marry him, Beth, and be his wife." Her voice was growing unsteady.

"Andrea Barnes, what manner of woman are you? Are you telling me that you married Jim to prove that you could?"

"No," Andrea said. "I married him because I loved him. But I told you long ago that I didn't want to be separated from him because I knew I could get over it. Beth, Jim is crazy. Jim is delight. Jim is my lover. Now I want bread—and other things. Things Jim never can give to Bess and me."

"Jim has a right to Bess."

"He can have some of her. Beth arrangements can be made. A man doesn't want a young baby around when he's trying to readjust himself. He may be in hospitals for months. Then he'll have to be reabsorbed into civilian life somehow. We couldn't even be together during the early years of the baby's life maybe I would arrange so that he could always share her. But when she's mine she's going to have a protected, luxurious life. You know how Dennis feels about her."

"You love her dearly, don't you?"

"Isn't that the real reason why I'm willing to sacrifice my own passion for Jim, Beth Kinnan? Are you blind? I want her to have everything that money can buy. That's why I want you to go to Jim and tell him anything you like. Whatever terms you make will be all right with me, except that I will not see him. You think that he will care? Yes, his vanity will make it a blow. But you will be there, making him see himself through your eyes and he'll transfer his affections to you and be to do it."

Beth leaned down to look straight into the other girl's eyes. "Maybe I'll do it," she said suddenly. "Maybe I'll go to Jim. I think I shall. But first you must answer my questions."

"What questions?" Andrea asked warily.

"Did you love Jim?"

"I loved him once—more than I'll ever love anyone."

"You do not love him now?"

"I only remember him now. He's been dead to me for months. He's only a shadow now."

"You don't want to see him again because you're afraid that you would find yourself caught in the old enchantment?"

"Isn't that what I've been trying to tell you?"

"And you want me to go out and tell him that you wish to get a di-

vorce—you'll permit me to present the story any way I wish—and you'll agree to his seeing Bess whenever he wishes, to sharing her life? You'd like him to marry me?"

"Yes, yes, yes! Will you do it?"

"I don't know. I'll let you know terms then, and whatever they are, you must agree to them. If I am to take this responsibility, it seems

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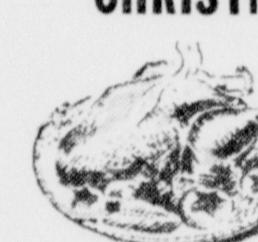
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## New Woman Bridge Champion Just Plays the Game "By Ear"

By ADELAIDE KERR  
AP Features Writer

Margaret Wagar, of Atlanta, who has just become the first life master bridge player south of the Mason Dixon Line, says she reached her present height playing by ear.

"I never did have any ambition," she said as she sat in a friend's New York Avenue apartment after the tournament. "It doesn't make a difference to me in money or prestige a partner she has never played with which gave her the required

270 points for life master ranking. (Life masters are also required to hold at least one national championship.)

"This just crept up on me," Mrs. Wagar continued. "I'm not a typical bridge player. I'm not take it so hard. I never took a lesson. I can't enter into the technical discussion of a hand. I hear the tournament players talking about things in a section which has afforded her and I scarcely know what they're little opportunity for duplicate tournament play. (Duplicate play requires the cards to be kept in boards of four hands and every

rattled. I play for the pleasure and after it's over I don't regret any. thing I ever did."

Bridge players marvel at Mrs. Wagar's attainment and play on two counts. First, she reached life master ranking, held by only thirty-three men and five women, in spite of the fact that she lives in the center of the country. Second, she has reached the top in duplicate tournament play. (Duplicate play requires the cards to be kept in boards of four hands and every

players who have been playing together for years.

## Lady Luck

"Luck!" says Mrs. Wagar, who refuses to take the whole thing too seriously, though she does admit she would like to win the master's individual tournament some day. (This is a little accomplishment which might be compared roughly to playing a dozen Helen Wills in one tennis tournament—and winning.)

Mrs. Wagar is a good-looking

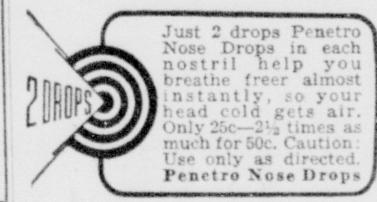
dark-haired woman in her late thirties and the mother of two young daughters. She was born in Atlanta. Mrs. Wagar "went to town" (the daughter of Mell R. Wilkins) was soon playing in national tournaments and in time annexed a home in the Georgia capital virtually all flock of championships including her life. She was married to Humphrey Wagar, Mobile construction engineer, from whom she is now divorced.

Mrs. Wagar did not begin to play bridge until after her marriage, when luncheon parties forced her into it. She didn't take much

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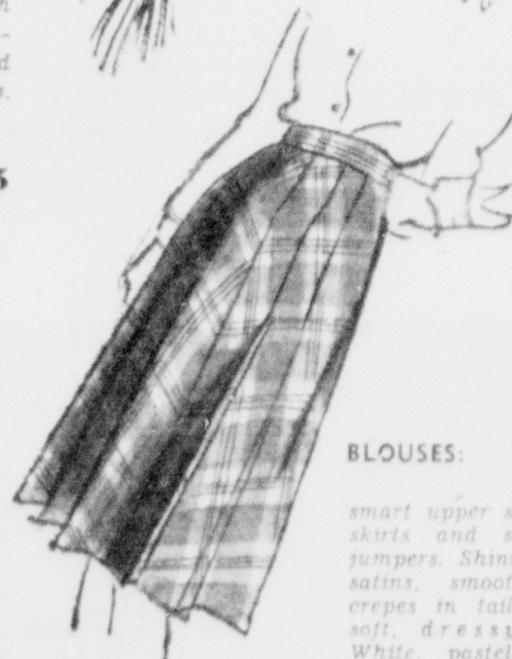
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## State Forester Urges Extreme Care in Forests

BALTIMORE, Dec. 21 (AP)—Pointing to an extensive series of recent forest fires in the state—including a 100 acre blaze at Fort George G. Meade—State Forester Joseph F. Kaylor renewed today an appeal to Marylanders to use extreme care in the woods.

Kaylor said that reports to the

department of forests and parks indicated that approximately fifty percent of the numerous blazes which broke out during the past few weeks were started by carelessness on the part of persons who went into the woods to cut Christmas greens.

He declared that despite the heavy rain, which soaked much of the state near the end of October, the woods now were extremely dry and in an even more dangerous condition than during the summer and early fall drought.

A fire which started on the Fort Meade military reservation yesterday and could not be controlled by the post's fire department, he continued, was brought under control after state fire fighting equipment

including pumpers and short wave radio communications equipment, was moved to the site. The fire burned about 100 acres, most of it on the reservation, he said.

Maryland has had a virtually continuous forest fire season since last February, the state forester said, adding that present conditions, usually with winds, were particularly hazardous.

"We are well equipped," Kaylor

declared, "but we can't fight human carelessness indefinitely."

He added that as much as twenty-five per cent of the state's forest protective personnel had been off duty because of illness in recent weeks further handicapping efforts to con-

trol the scores of small blazes which have been reported.

Many of these men, he continued, have insisted on staying on the job, and he cited the case of one man who was too ill to drive a truck or fight fire from the ground who insisted on standing guard duty in a tower to relieve another man for more active duty.

COLLEGE PARK, Md., Dec. 21—(AP)—Forward Kenneth Corley, former Central Oklahoma State college basketball star, collected fifteen points tonight as his Bainbridge Naval Training Station mates trounced the University of Maryland, 55-21.

It was the eighth victory in nine starts for the Navy Commodores, who led 34-13 at half time, and used reserves often.

Al Brightman of Southern California, had eleven points for the sailors, while the leading Maryland scorer was Joe Acito with eight.

"I know I sound like the Chamber of Commerce," he grinned, "but I think living in Florida will add three to five years to the active life of a baseball player."

The 36-year-old Chicago Cubs' pitcher, who has spent ten winters there, explained that he stayed in the open practically all winter hunting, fishing and playing golf.

"You keep in shape that way," he said.

Derringer, who admits that he can't pitch as often as he once did, believes the year-round conditioning program which he follows will keep him active for "several" more years.

### Fights Monday Night

By The Associated Press

Boston—Ralph Zanelli, 148½, Providence, R. I.—Tippy Larkin, 142, Pittsburgh, Pa.—R. J. knocked out Gene Ward, 145, Chicago, 44. Newark—Martin Bryant, 158½, Dallas, Texas, stopped Freddy Flores, 162½, New York, 44.

Newark—Bobby Jacobs, 158½, Philadelphia, stopped Nat Boden, 172, Chicago, 10.

Trenton, N. J.—Jerry Pirolo, 154, Brooklyn, outpointed Stanley Miller, 150, Newark, 10.

Chicago—Freddie Dawson, 135½, Chicago, stopped Al Reasoner, 137½, Hines, Ill., 10.

San Francisco—Van McNutt, 134, New York, stopped Kenny LaSalle, 133, Los Angeles, 10.

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### Bainbridge Downs Maryland 55-21

COLLEGE PARK, Md., Dec. 21—(AP)—Forward Kenneth Corley,

former Central Oklahoma State college basketball star, collected fifteen points tonight as his Bainbridge Naval Training Station mates trounced the University of Maryland, 55-21.

It was the eighth victory in nine starts for the Navy Commodores, who led 34-13 at half time, and used reserves often.

Al Brightman of Southern California, had eleven points for the sailors, while the leading Maryland scorer was Joe Acito with eight.

"I know I sound like the Chamber of Commerce," he grinned, "but I think living in Florida will add three to five years to the active life of a baseball player."

The 36-year-old Chicago Cubs' pitcher, who has spent ten winters there, explained that he stayed in the open practically all winter hunting, fishing and playing golf.

"You keep in shape that way," he said.

Derringer, who admits that he can't pitch as often as he once did, believes the year-round conditioning program which he follows will keep him active for "several" more years.

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## MacArthur Reports Probable Downing Of 26 Jap Planes

### Allies Lose Six in Activity Connected with Attacks on Shipping

By WILLIAM F. BONI

ADVANCED ALLIED HEADQUARTERS, NEW GUINEA, Wednesday, Dec. 22. (P)—Air actions in which the Japanese lost twenty planes for sure and six more probably against six lost to the Allies were reported by Gen. Douglas MacArthur today.

Most of the aerial activity occurred in connection with attacks on shipping, a total of seven Japanese merchantmen being hit and at least one sunk, while an enemy air fleet lost fourteen planes for sure and probably six more in attacking an empty Allied convoy off Huon Peninsula, New Guinea, sinking one 200-ton vessel.

A total of seven Japanese merchantmen were hit in strikes against a convoy in the Kaveng, New Ireland, area and in Rabaul, New Britain, harbor, with one definitely sunk and four others set afire. The first attack was against ships southeast of Kaveng by a Liberator heavy bomber Sunday afternoon, resulting in the damage of a 6,000-ton enemy freighter. Shortly after midnight another Liberator located eight ships of a convoy in which two were escort vessels, and probably sunk a 6,000-ton transport. Two United States

navy Catalinas later attacked the convoy, scoring direct hits on 6,000-ton and 8,000-ton vessels, setting both afire.

Shipping in Rabaul harbor was attacked after noon Sunday by Liberators escorted by fighters. One cargo ship was sunk and two others set afire. The Japanese sent up into twenty-five interceptors, downing five fighters to oppose this attack, losing four to an equal Allied loss.

An enemy reconnaissance plane was shot down by Allied air patrols over Eleanora Bay, on the twenty-five tons of explosives north coast of New Britain.

Enemy airfields, supply points lost, others were damaged by the and bivouac areas in the Cape interceptors and the anti-aircraft Gloucester area, Western New fire.

Guinea, received 189 tonne of Allied bombs in another heavy attack of a series which have descended around 1,800 tons there since the first of December.

Heaviest ground fighting was on the Huon Peninsula, where Australians overran a Japanese strong point in advancing a mile and one-half north of Masawang river, fifteen miles north of Phinschafen.

The Australian push, with the aid of tanks and artillery, was made in the face of heavy enemy 75mm artillery fire.

### Fury of Air War Over Mid-Pacific Is Increasing

By LEIF ERICKSON

PEARL HARBOR, Dec. 21 (P)—The rising fury of the air war over the Japanese Mid-Pacific Marshalls is night; a smile is the twilight that was plainly indicated today in a hovers between both, more bewitching report that on Monday Seventh than either—H. W. BEECHER.

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### Poll Tax Dispute Is Revived in Senate Committee

WASHINGTON, Dec. 21 (P)—The controversy over proposals to outlaw the poll tax as a prerequisite for voting for federal officers was revived today in sharply conflicting reports from the Senate Judiciary committee.

A majority report, submitted by Chairman Van Nuys (D-Ind) and Senator McFarland (D-Ariz), declared that a citizen denied the right to vote because of his inability to pay the tax "becomes an outcast." A majority led by Senator Connally (D-Tex), contended voting is not a right but a privilege within control of the states. Eight Southern states have such a poll tax.

The majority report recommended passage of a House-approved bill outlawing the tax as a necessity for voting for senators, representatives and presidential electors.

A man, it asserted, "can be drafted into the army and compelled to face the foe and give up his life to protect the lives of his fellow citizens" and yet be deprived of the most sacred privilege of all—the right to vote."

The minority argued that the bill, which is to be brought up in the Senate early in the year in the face of a threat of a Southern filibuster, is an unconstitutional invasion of the rights of the states to determine the qualifications of their voters.

The only way to outlaw the tax, they contended, is by adoption of a constitutional amendment prohibiting its collection as a prerequisite for voting.

"The states could legally fix the sex qualification until the constitution was changed," said the minority report, signed by Connally and Senators Austin (R-Vt); Hatch (D-N.M.); O'Mahoney (D-Wyo); Andrews (D-Fla); and Revercomb (W. Va), and "they can fix the tax qualification until another change is made."

### Growing Revolt Faces Germans in Italy

By RELMAN MORIN

NAPLES, Dec. 21 (P)—The Germans, faced with a growing revolt in the occupied areas of Italy, were reported today to have evacuated large sections of Rome, apparently preparing to destroy these areas and perhaps eventually to abandon the capital entirely.

With the Allied armies now approximately eighty miles from Rome, the German evacuation of whole areas of Rome presumably was to permit engineers to plant mines and dynamite on a large scale, as was done in Naples prior to its abandonment earlier in the campaign.

Trustworthy information reaching Naples today showed that all Northern Italy was aflame with revolt against the German military command and its puppet Italian government, and that the situation behind the German line was "more serious than in any of the European countries that are under complete German occupation."

The Axis radio, giving indirect confirmation of the reports, announced that funeral services were held today for Aldo Resegs, Federal Fascist commissar, and Pierre de Angeli and Primeri Lamberti, officials of the Fascist Squadrini organization, who the Germans said were shot by Italians described as "terrorists."

In a further indication of rebellion, the German military commander for Rome ordered suspension of all street, highway and rail traffic inside and outside the capital between 7 p.m. and 7 a.m.

Violators receive the death penalty.

### Yugoslav Forces

(Continued from Page 1)

support brought frank recognition here that one of the winter's most significant battles was developing in Yugoslavia.

Discussing the military operations, Tito's communique said the partisans were continuing mopping up operations against defeated German forces in two Croatian provinces; attacks were going forward in the Sanjak area between Montenegro and Serbia; heavy fighting was going on in Eastern and Southern Bosnia with the Yugoslavs holding their own there, and advancing in Western Bosnia.

In a belated announcement of action preceding the present counter-offensive, Tito told of the capture Dec. 15 of two towns near Zagreb, Croatian capital.

As the new waves of sabotage added to the German troubles in Yugoslavia, the Nazis were reported to have retaliated with the execution yesterday of eighteen persons charged with Communist activities.

### Chaplain Favors

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father of member in the service who spoke briefly for the "Boys of Today."

Father Hewitt Speaks  
Following Commander Boelet's address, the Rev. Leo Hewitt, China missionary, who recently returned on the exchange ship Gripsholm after being interned by the Japanese, spoke briefly.

A color guard from Fort Cumberland Post No. 13, American Legion, in full uniform, attended the colorful exercises.

The program was climaxed with the serving of refreshments.

### Huge Black Market Whiskey Ring Is Uncovered by FBI

that the states arrange for members of the armed services to vote by absentee ballot.

Majority Leader Barkley, of Kentucky, denounced it as a "pious ladies aid society" resolution of no practical value. It was adopted as a substitute for a proposal that a federal commission distribute war balloons throughout the armed services.

Senator Guffey (D-Pa) charged that an "unholy alliance" of southern Democrats and Republicans put

over the substitute—a charge which brought denials from Senators Byrd (D-Va) and Bailey (D-N.C.) who took Guffey to task in Senate speech.

The House has not acted on the Senate resolution.

Honesty of thought and speech and written word is a jewel, and they who curb prejudices and seek honorably to know and speak the truth are the only builders of a better life. JOHN GALSWORTHY

### Ludwig von Reuter Dies

LONDON, Dec. 21 (P)—German Vice Admiral Ludwig Von Reuter, 75, the officer who ordered the scuttling of the German fleet at Scapa Flow on June 21, 1919, died today of heart disease, the Berlin radio said.

He had been in retirement since 1920 and devoted his later years chiefly to his memoirs.

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LIBERTY XMAS

Horseburgers OK  
In Iceland

CAMP VAN DORN, Miss., Dec. 21 (AP)—Corporal Donald P. Rhodes, it isn't news when a lady advertising fourteen months with tins for a lost black and white bull the Army in Iceland, is here with terrier. Nor is it news when she the news that "horseburgers" aren't says the dog belongs to an invalid neighbor who is heartbroken. But Rhodes, now stationed here, said: "It's just a little unusual when the long-haired ponies, the only lady is the wife of the local dog catcher. That's the case of Mrs. Joe up there, have been imported from Sanfratella who couldn't locate the Russia, and room in great herds, terrier for her friend, as our cattle. Used as a substitute for beef, they aren't bad, with plenty of pickle and onion."

Lost and Found Dept.;  
Canine Division

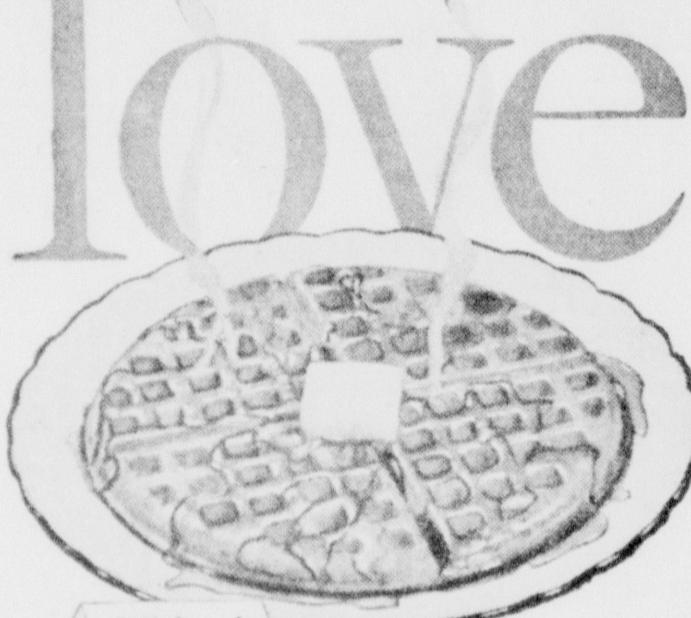
KNOXVILLE, Tenn. (AP)—John Schaad is allergic to hay, grain and seeds. For many years he has operated a seed and feed store. For many years he's suffered from asthma.

Belgian dogs were trained to haul mail—says he can't leave his business.

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## WATCH THAT LINE!

German Retreat  
From Northwest  
Russia Looms

Evacuation of Vitebsk  
Foreseen in Moscow War Bulletins

By KIRKE L. SIMPSON

Early Nazi evacuation of the critical Vitebsk anchorage of the German line in Russia north of the Dnieper river, or even the beginning of a German retreat from all Northwest Russia, seems foreshadowed in Moscow war bulletins.

They report Russian troops, Siberian units which are specialists in winter fighting, twenty miles or less from the Vitebsk-Polotsk railway west of Vitebsk, and even closer on the eastern flank to the Vitebsk-Orsha escape route. A step or two forward from either direction would bring Russian guns to bear and threaten entrapment of the Vitebsk garrison.

Short of throwing in heavy reserves that obviously cannot be spared from no less threatened points to the south, there seems little chance that a new German retreat on a wide front in upper White Russia can be averted.

Red Drive Opens Big Gap

With the capture of Gorodok, twenty miles north of Vitebsk up the railroad to Nevel, the week-old Russia offensive in that sector has ripped open a gap nearly 100 miles wide at the base of the Nevel bulge. It reaches from just above Vitebsk to north of the Velikie Luki-Riga railway, with Nevel virtually in the center.

Westward the Nevel bulge runs substantially 100 miles deep for its whole width, by available data, to threaten closely the Polotsk rail and road key to that segment of the German defense line.

Once the Vitebsk anchor point does give way, the whole pattern of the war in Northwestern Russia from Central White Russia to the

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or the telephone.

## TOURNAMENT QUEEN



PRETTY NAOMI RIORDAN, 17-year-old co-ed of Pasadena Junior College, has been selected queen of the 1944 Tournament of Roses on New Year's day at Los Angeles, Calif. She is the daughter of Mrs. Naomi C. Riordan, of Altadena, California.

Baltic will undergo a drastic change in every indication.

South of Vitebsk, from Orsha on the upper Dnieper bend to the northern face of the vast Pinsk-Pripyat marshes above Kiev, the Nazi holding front on the West bank of the Dnieper is keyed to a single road and rail crossroads, Minsk. That junction city, less than thirty miles from the old Russian-Polish border and on the Napoleonic route to Moscow, serves all remaining Nazi

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Zlobin Is By-Passed

The loss of Vitebsk, and of Polotsk in its rear, would expose Minsk to Russian encirclement from the north and northeast and from the Berezina river valley. Russian columns thrusting up the Berezina weeks ago by-passed Zlobin to reach the close vicinity of Bobruisk, thirty miles or more in rear of the Dnieper river enemy stronghold and of the Gomel-Minsk railroad.

The minimum effect of Nazi loss of the Vitebsk anchor would be a threat to the Polotsk and Minsk keys of the entire German behind the lines communications system north of the Pinsk marshes to the southern end of Lake Peipus and the Pskov gateway to Leningrad. The maximum result of Red Army capture of Vitebsk would be the beginning of a long-planned German retreat into Poland and Latvia for Welch has knitted over 100 sweaters free tickets to the Capitol motion picture of the Red Cross and forty-six picture theater, operative for as

long as they were in prison, mostly unknown to Mrs. Clark.

The mate of Billy, who won prizes at animal shows, took one look at

remain intestinal diseases, malaria

and accident and violence, in that

order, but in each case there has

been improvement.

**Coon Plays Possum,  
Woman Loses Pet**

ATHENS, Tenn. (AP)—A disturbance in the chicken house prompted Mrs. James Clark to grab her gun and go looking for a possum thief.

Two shiny eyes shone through the darkness and Mrs. Clark fired straight. The animal that fell 600. During the first five months wasn't an opossum at all, but her this year, 172,000 persons died, compared to 180,000 in the same period of 1942.

The three principal death causes at animal shows, took one look at

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**Death Rate Lowered  
In Mexico**

MEXICO CITY (AP)—That Mexico

is a safer place to live than formerly is shown by figures released by government sources.

During 1939, there were 470,000

deaths, and in 1942 there were 456,

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**Knit, Purl Record**

STANTON, Tenn. Dec. 21 (AP)—

A great-grandmother here is setting the pace in knitting for men Repatriated war prisoners from Germany in the armed services. Mrs. Mattie man prison camps are being given

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THIRTEEN

## Frostburg Board Will Send 26 Men For Examination

Selectees Will Receive  
Final Physical Tests in  
Baltimore Today

FROSTBURG, Dec. 21—Twenty-five selectees from Draft Board 4 will leave Frostburg Wednesday morning, December 22, 6:30 o'clock, for the Baltimore induction station for their final physical examination. Those in the group are Francis E. Cook, leader; Archibald MacMillan, Edward L. Kreider, Raymond S. Bear, James W. Shimer, Clyde H. Settle, James W. Harden, George A. Patterson, John T. Clise, William R. Vogtman and John Kennell, all of Frostburg.

Claude R. Burke, Westernport; John P. Muldoon, Cresaptown; James M. Rae, Lonaconing; William H. Smith, Jr., Westernport; Alfred J. Vizza, Zihlman; Ralph A. Moore, Baltimore; Ray R. Evans, Westernport; Samuel H. Taylor, Midlothian; Albert T. Scott, Route 1, Frostburg; William A. Russell and Claude W. Michael, Westernport; Ervin A. Lewis, Eckhart Mines; Henry E. Weisbeneck, Eckhart Mines; James P. Moran, Westernport and Alexander Middleton, Route 1, Frostburg.

## Former Resident Dies

Allison F. Thomas, 65, former resident of Frostburg, died Tuesday morning at his home, Moscow, Pa. He is survived by his widow, the former Miss Nell Kalbaugh, of Frostburg; two children, Mrs. Gordon MacAskie, Liverpool, N. Y., and Miss Amy Carroll Thomas, at home; and a grandchild, Barbara Ann MacAskie.

Mr. Thomas, a native of Southern Maryland, was a former employee of the Consolidation Coal Company, mine private secretary to G. Marshall Gillette until 1926, when Mr. Gillette was transferred from Frostburg to Somerset, Pa.

After leaving the coal company, Mr. Thomas worked for a short time for Dr. J. J. Rutledge, chief of the Maryland Bureau of Mines and then went to Pittston, Pa., and accepted a position with the Pittston Coal Company. He was statistician for the company with headquarters in Scranton until his death.

Mr. Thomas was a veteran of World War I, and while a resident of Frostburg was active in the affairs of Farracy Post No. 24, American Legion, being secretary for several years.

Adam Kalbaugh and Mrs. Ralph Kal left today to attend the funeral.

## Mrs. Witt Dies

Mrs. Rebecca Ellen Shaffer Witt, 78, widow of Henry Witt, Mt. Savage, died at 10:30 a. m. yesterday at Allegany hospital where she had been a patient since Monday afternoon. She was a member of Mt. Savage Methodist church. Surviving are one daughter, Mrs. Ned Keith, Yacoma, Wash.; one sister, Mrs. Mary Witt, Mt. Savage; two brothers, Charles Shaffer, Westernport; Jacob Shaffer, Rowlesburg, W. Va.; three grandchildren and three great-grandchildren. The body will be taken to the home of Harry Minnick, Foundry St., Mt. Savage.

## Engagement Announced

Mr. and Mrs. Julian G. Patrick, 30 Maryland avenue, Westernport, have announced the engagement of their daughter, Mary Roberts, to Seaman Thomas G. Elias, V-128, United States Naval Reserve, son of Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Elias, 56 West Loo street.

The ceremony will be performed at 3 p. m., December 26, in Trinity Methodist church, Piedmont, W. Va., with the Rev. James L. Robertson officiating.

After graduating from Bruce high school, Westernport, in 1938, Miss Patrick attended the University of Maryland and was graduated there in 1942, majoring in bacteriology. She is now employed at McCormick and Company, Baltimore.

Seaman Elias was graduated from Bruce high school, Frostburg, in 1937 and from Western Maryland College, Westminster, in 1941. He is now a senior medical student at the University of Maryland Medical School, Baltimore.

## To Present Program

A sacred entertainment, "Tidings of Joy," will be presented Sunday evening 7:30 o'clock, at Mt. Zion Welsh Baptist Memorial church. The program will include vocal duets by Mrs. Alvina Cole and Mrs. W. D. Reese, Mary and Sarah J. Davis, Bronwyn Reese and Anna G. Thomas; speaking parts, Elizabeth Workman, Betty Ann Hanna and Anna Thomas; angels, Louisa Williams, Margaret and Mildred Rankin, Helen Jeffries, LaVern Kerr, Mary and Sarah Davis; dreamer, Althea Benham; wise men, the Rev. Mr. Bass, Joe Davis and Walter Powell; Mary, Stella Mae Chidester; Joseph, Edward Wade; shepherds, James Beach and Hayden Lewis. There will be choral singing and Christmas carols.

Service is Planned

Salem Evangelical and Reformed church will observe Christmas Eve with its annual candlelighting and gift service Friday, December 24.

## Hagerstown Woman Is Shot and Wounded

HAGERSTOWN, Md., Dec. 21 (AP)—Esther L. Fravel, 32-year-old mother of two children, was shot and critically wounded today after what City Detective Wayne Sellman described as a quarrel with a boarder over her lodger's jealousy.

Sellman said the 35-year-old man, a former resident of Harrisonburg, Va., was ordered held in connection with the shooting.

The detective related that the boarder said he went to a chicken coop to examine the lock and returned to find the woman wounded with a pistol nearby.

However, a neighbor said he overheard a quarrel, then heard a shot. Sellman added, while Mrs. Fravel identified the lodger as the person who shot her and said he was jealous of her. The Fravel children, eleven and nine respectively, told Sellman they heard the quarrel and fled to the home of their grandparents some blocks away.

## Mt. Savage Church Plans Christmas Program Sunday

## Methodist Youth Group Will Give Pageant at Candlelight Service

Mt. SAVAGE, Dec. 21—The annual Sunday school Christmas program will be presented Sunday evening at the Mt. Savage Methodist church at 7:30 o'clock. The senior classes will present two dramatizations of Christmas stories as the main feature of the program.

A varied program centered around thoughts of Christmas will be given by the younger members. Numerous Christmas carols will be sung. The program is being directed by Mrs. Stanley Dorman, who originated many of the ideas and wrote the script for the plays.

Miss Dorothy Sigler, daughter of John Sigler, Westernport, has passed the army nurse corps examination and will report to Fort G. Meade January 3. She will be sworn in at Cumberland and receive her commission as second lieutenant.

Miss Sigler is a graduate of Bruce high school, class of 1939, and of the nurses training school of Memorial hospital, Cumberland, class of 1942.

## Situation Is Critical

The water situation here has reached a critical stage, with neither water system adequately supplying the consumers. In many sections the water has been off for nearly two weeks while in other districts the supply lasts only a few hours a day. The increased number of flu and gripe cases in the community makes the need of water at this time imperative, and the only adequate supply at present is the private wells and cisterns. No reported measures have been taken to alleviate the condition.

## Personals

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John Cook, ill at his home, Mechanic street, is reported improving.

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## Westernport Girl Becomes Engaged To Frostburg Man

## Wedding Will Be Held Mr. and Mrs. George E. Wagoner Were Married Dec. 24, 1893

WESTERNPORT, Dec. 21—Mr. and Mrs. Julian G. Patrick, 310 Maryland avenue, Westernport, announce the engagement of their daughter, Mary Roberts, to Seaman Thomas G. Elias, V-128, United States Naval Reserve, son of Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Elias, 56 West Loo street, Frostburg.

Miss Patrick is a graduate of Bruce high school, class of 1938; the University of Maryland, College Park, class of 1942, majoring in bacteriology. She is now employed at McCormick and Company, Baltimore.

Seaman Elias is a graduate of Beall high school, Frostburg, class of 1937, and Western Maryland College, Westminster, class of 1941, and is now a senior medical student at the University of Maryland, Baltimore.

The ceremony will be solemnized in Trinity Methodist church, Piedmont, December 26, at 3 p. m., with the Rev. James L. Robertson, officiating.

## Officers Are Elected

Word was received here from Kirtland Field, Albuquerque, N. M., that Aviation Cadet Delmire N. B. Brown, son of Mrs. Cora M. Brown, Westernport, has been graduated from the army air force bombardier school and has received his lieutenant's commission after eighteen weeks of flight and combat training in high altitude precision bombing and navigation. Lieut. Brown was graduated from the A.A.F. gunnery school at Kingman, Ariz., previous to his assignment at Kirtland Field.

The installation of officers will be conducted on Friday, January 14.

## Officers Are Elected

Queens Point Lodge No. 78, Independent Order of Odd Fellows, elected the following officers at its Monday night meeting, to serve for the ensuing term:

Charles A. Mott, noble grand;

Raymond Rice, vice grand;

Luke Dowell, secretary;

Marvin W. Oates, financial secretary;

Albert E. Elce, treasurer;

Charles A. Steidling, trustee.

## Officers Are Elected

Mrs. Cora Walker, Mrs. Rose Pazanitz and Elwood Hyre have been admitted to Potomac Valley hospital.

Mrs. Charles A. Steidling, McCool, has been called to St. Clairsville, Ohio, because of the illness of her mother.

Ensign Warren Hall, United States Navy, Ithaca, N. Y., will come home Wednesday on a ten-day leave.

Miss Alma Petters has gone to Chicago to spend the holidays with her sister, Mrs. Theima Paetzberg.

Pfc. Maxwell Lynch, Camp Butler, N. C., and Mrs. Lynch are here for the holidays. They will spend the time with their parents here and her parents in Moorefield.

Master Sgt. Hugh R. Bailey, Camp Atterbury, Ind., is home for the holidays.

## Janitor Retires

William N. Burke, janitor of Luke school for the past twenty years, retired this week. He resides with his wife, Dorcas Ann, Beryl. Beryl is 81, while his wife is 91 years old.

Previous to taking the work at Luke school he was stable boss for the Master Coal Company, fireman for Davis Coal Company and Bryden's mines. He has two daughters, Mrs. James Fazenbaker, Beryl, W. Va., and Mrs. Richard Grant, Cresaptown.

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They have a son, George Wagoner, Jr., training for the United States Navy at Great Lakes training station, Ill. Other children are Floyd Wagoner, Chicago; Frank Wagoner, Keyser; Mrs. Arthur Hook, New Albany, Ind.; Mrs. Burl Harper, Mrs. Edward Shaffer and Mrs. Irvin Arthur, Cumberland; Mrs. Mary Mott and Mrs. Frank DelSardo, Keyser.

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## Maryland Theater Will Show Movies of Police And Firemen's Ball

Featuring the grand march and attending celebrities, motion pictures

### Removal Notice

Thomas Lohr Richards has moved his law office to the Second floor of No. 19 S. Liberty street, Powell Building, Cumberland, Md.

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Brian DONLEVY — in — Miriam HOPKINS  
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— with — Preston Foster — Harold Huber — Gloria Holden  
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Beauty! Romance! Comedy! Jinx Falkenburg Tom Neal Joe King

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BEDLAM IN A BUREAU!  
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Funny enough to make a stork squawk!  
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Clue-less killing on a luxury plane leads The Falcon into a triple trap!  
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"You're a Lucky Fellow, Mr. Smith"  
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Screen Play by Fred Hobie Jr. and S. Craig Rice  
In the Falcon DANGER — TOM CONWAY JEAN BROOKS ELAINE SHEPARD AMELIA WARD MAURICE GERAGHTY Directed by WILLIAM CLEMENS  
The KING'S MEN

## Theaters

### "Government Girl" Coming to Liberty

Running for five minutes, the film will reveal Cumberland "gone Hollywood" as theatergoers see some of their fellow citizens "starring" in the grand march. A screening of the film Sunday night revealed an unusual scene whereby a slowing up of the camera resulted in a speeding up of the motion of the objects being filmed. That sequence shows a number of the city's more sedate citizens performing in a reasonable facsimile of jitterbugging.

The film will be featured during the added attractions presented at the theater.

Scalping was practiced by the ancient Scythians.

## STAMPS HONOR YOUNG PRINCESSES



SOMETHING NEW in the world of philately appeared recently in New Zealand and resulted in collectors spending \$150,000 on stamps in record time. The occasion was the release of stamps bearing the likenesses of Princesses Elizabeth and Margaret Rose, of England.

Tufts, making his second appearance on the screen, portrays a two-fisted business executive assigned to an important production job in Washington, while Miss de Havilland, as an experienced secretary, tries to keep him out of trouble.

The result is plenty of complications, which are said to make the picture musically entertaining.

The supporting cast includes such favorites as Anne Shirley, Jess Barker, James Dunn, Paul Stewart, Agnes Moorehead and Una O'Connor.

### "Heats On" Will Open At Maryland Tomorrow

Advance notice on "The Heat's On", Columbia's musical extravaganza opening at the Maryland theater on Thursday lists a cast, besides the stars Mae West, Victor Moore and William Gaxton, of featured players who will keep audiences warm whether any other form of heat is on or not.

There's Xavier Cugat and his Rhumba Orchestra; there's songstress and piano playing whiz, Hazel Scott together with the high trump of trumpeters, Leonard Sues; lovely, warbling Mary Roche; David Lichine, actor, dance originator and director extraordinary; Lester Allen, Alan Dinehart, Lloyd Bridges, Almira Sessions, Sam Ash, Jack Owens and Lila Romay.

Added to these hot ingredients, there are six songs by some of Hollywood's better known composers.

### Brian Donlevy Stars In Garden Picture

Opening today at the Garden theater is "A Gentleman after Dark," starring Brian Donlevy and Miriam Hopkins. The cast of this melodrama includes Preston Foster, Harold Huber and Gloria Holden.

The co-feature at the Garden today is "She Has What It Takes," a comedy with music starring Jinx Falkenburg, Tom Neal and Joe King.

### Victory Party Held On Ghostly Film Set

Perhaps the biggest single bit of Hollywood celebrating over the Italian army's unconditional surrender was on a set of Columbia's studios, where an All-American cast was at work on "The Return of the Vampire," the chiller-diller starting tomorrow at the Embassy theater.

The unusual thing about this cast is that virtually every member was born on foreign soil, although most of the players now are naturalized United States citizens. When the word of Italy's fall, got noised

around, cast and crew immediately "Comedy" was listed as giving the best performance by a juvenile actor on the set. Director Lew Tabor, and Margaret O'Brien's performance in "Journey for Margaret" as a marine captain, was nearly a tie.

James Cagney's performance in "Yankee Doodle Dandy" was listed as second best in the male category. Ronald Colman in "Random Harvest" took third place; Gary Cooper in "For Whom The Bell Tolls," Miss Bergman's act in "Casablanca" also gave her a tie for third place with Joan Fontaine in "The Constant Nymph." Claudette Colbert in "So Proudly We Hail" was fifth.

Second place in the voting for

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Sam Wood won the best direction title for his "For Whom The Bell Tolls." Noel Coward was second for "In Which We Serve"; Clarence Brown, third, for "The Human Comedy"; Mervyn Le Roy, fourth, for "Random Harvest," and Alfred Hitchcock, fifth, for "Shadow of a Doubt."

Jack Jenkins in "The Human

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## MARYLAND

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NOBODY'S DARLING  
LOUIS CALHERN GLADYS GEORGE  
A REPUBLIC PICTURE

TONIGHT 9:00 P.M.

### U. S. ARMY AIR CADET CEREMONY

Approximately 45 Local Youths who have passed mental and physical tests to enter the U. S. A. Air Cadet Corps. will be sworn in during this ceremony.

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The CAT and the CANARY Charles LAUGHTON JAMAICA MAUREEN O'HARA  
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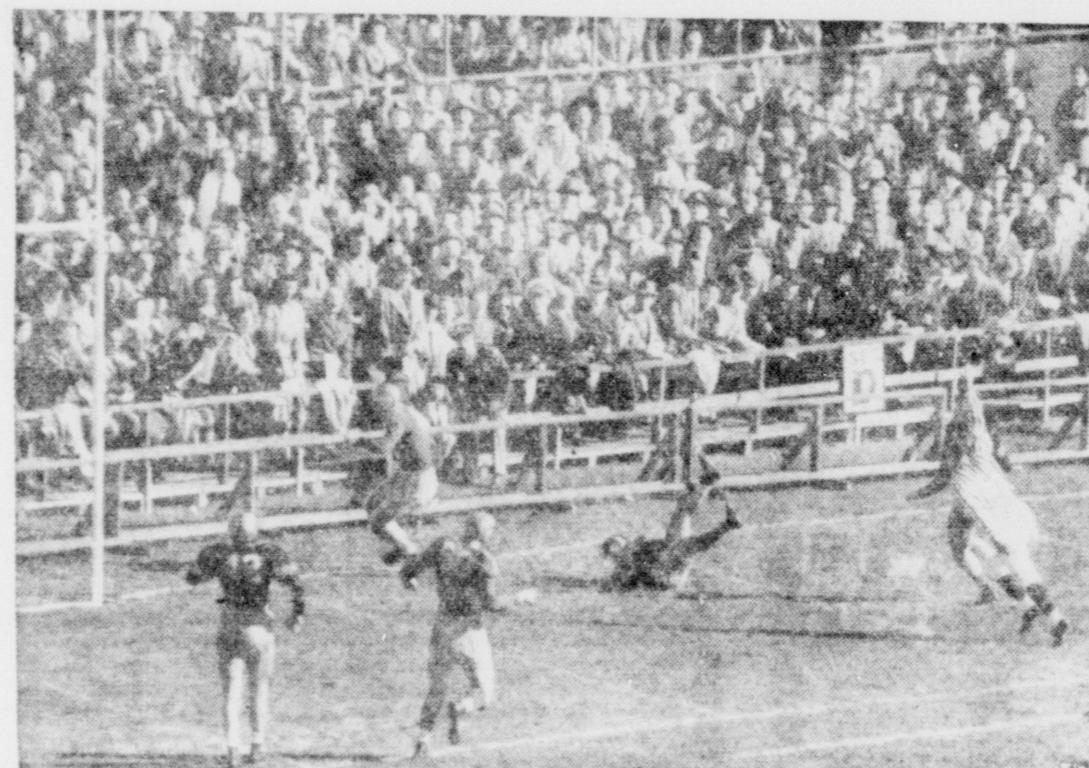
**STOPPING A SCORE** — Bob Kurland, 7-foot center of the Oklahoma Aggies, effectively blocks a Westminster field goal in a game at Buffalo, N. Y., by simply jumping up and tapping the ball away. The year saw the Phillips 66 team of Bartlesville, Okla., crowned as National AAU champions, while St. John's of Brooklyn won the New York invitation meet.



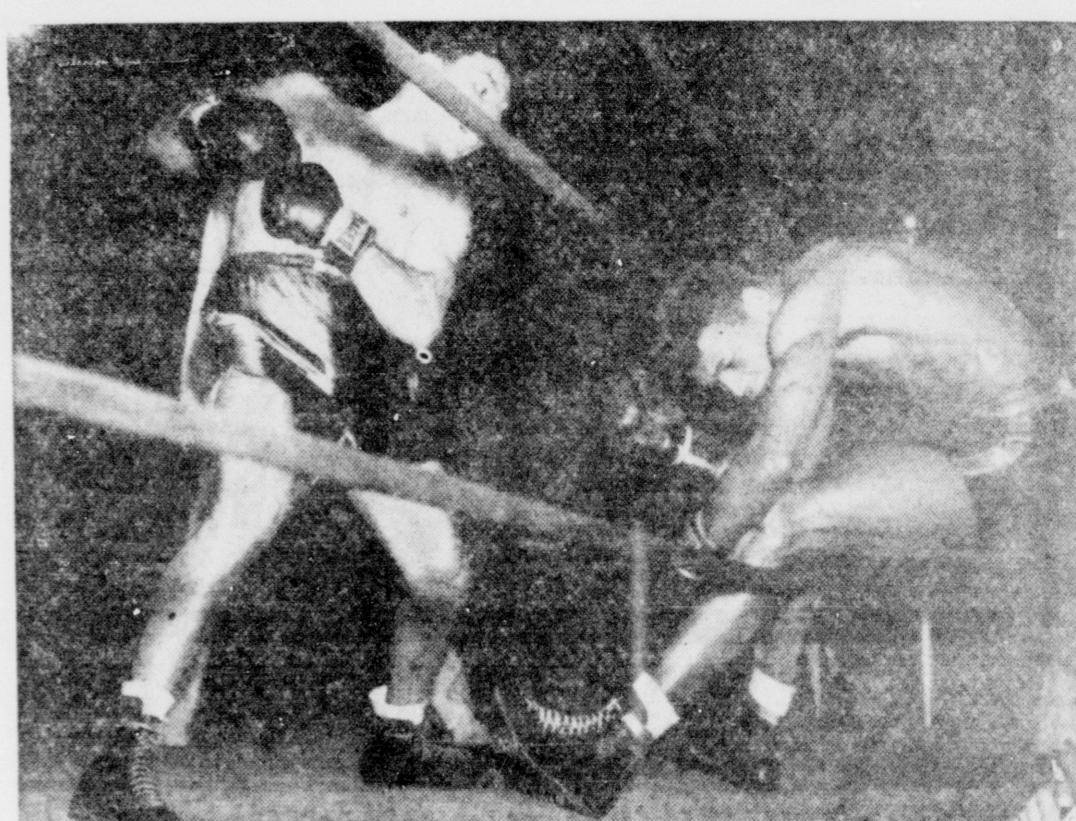
**DOUBLE SPILL AT HURDLE** — Briansan (left) and Mor-Lue, entered in a hurdle race at Belmont, figured in this spectacular spill—without injury. Jockeys Sid O'Neill (center) and M. Coakley also got off without serious harm.



**LOUIS TOURS CAMPS** — Many noted athletes wore the khaki or blue, among them Champion Joe Louis (left), shown squaring off with Bob Pastor during a tour of Army camps. Joe DiMaggio, Yankee star, joined the Army.



**IRISH TRIUMPH OVER ARMY** — End zone customers at Yankee Stadium went into a frenzy when Johnny Yonakor, Notre Dame end, hit pay dirt after taking John Lujack's pass for the first Irish touchdown against Army. Notre Dame went on to win, 26-0, and gain No. 1 national ranking among college teams, losing only to Great Lakes Naval Training Station.



**'SUGAR' TAKES A SOCK** — Jake La Motta (left) knocks Ray (Sugar) Robinson through the ropes in their Detroit fight which saw Ray defeated for first time in 41 pro bouts.



**HAEGG SHOWS AMERICA** — Gudrun Haegg, Swedish distance runner (right), smiles at a remark by Greg Rice, U. S. middle distance champion, as Haegg arrives in New York to start his American invasion. After 65 straight victories, Rice ran second to Haegg in the AAU 5,000-meter, and Haegg beat this country's best at both one and two miles.



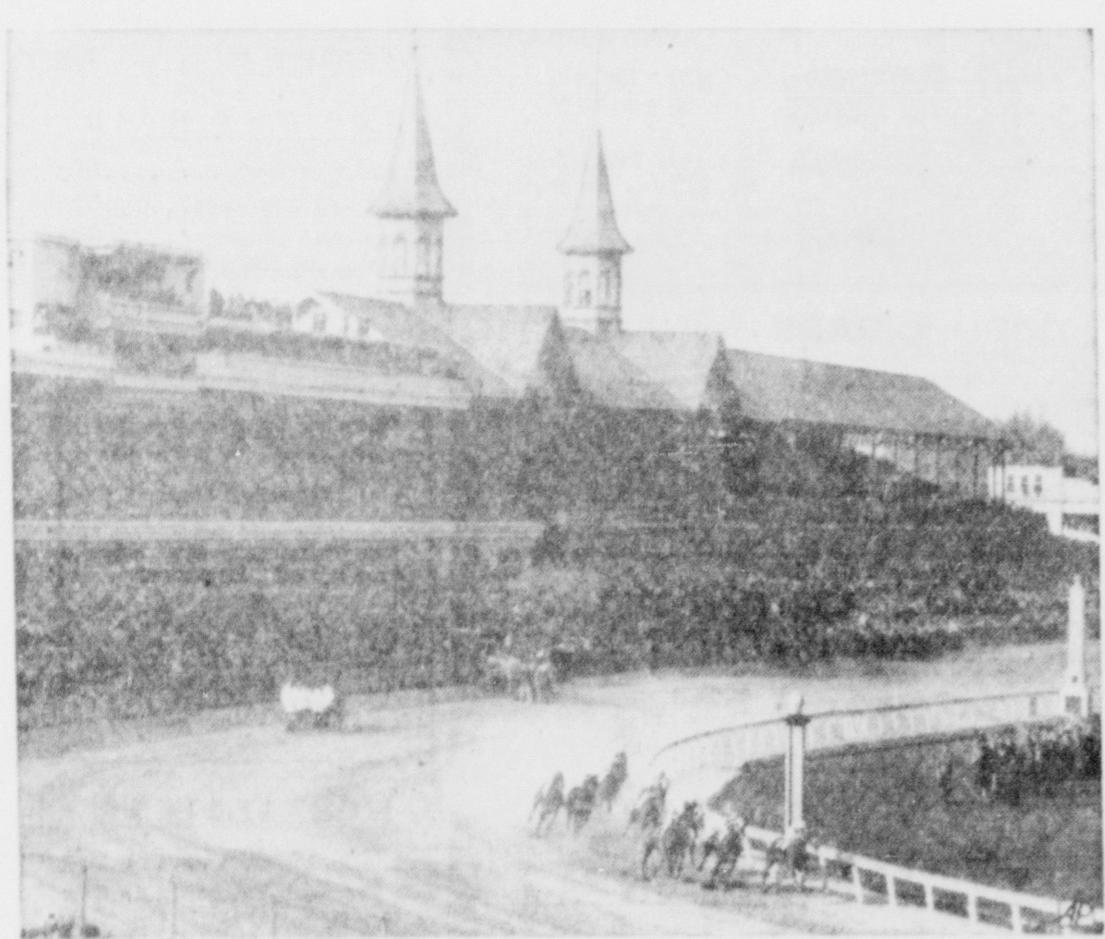
**BANNED** — William D. Cox (above), president of the Phils, was barred from organized baseball for life by Judge K. M. Landis for alleged wagering on the club's games.



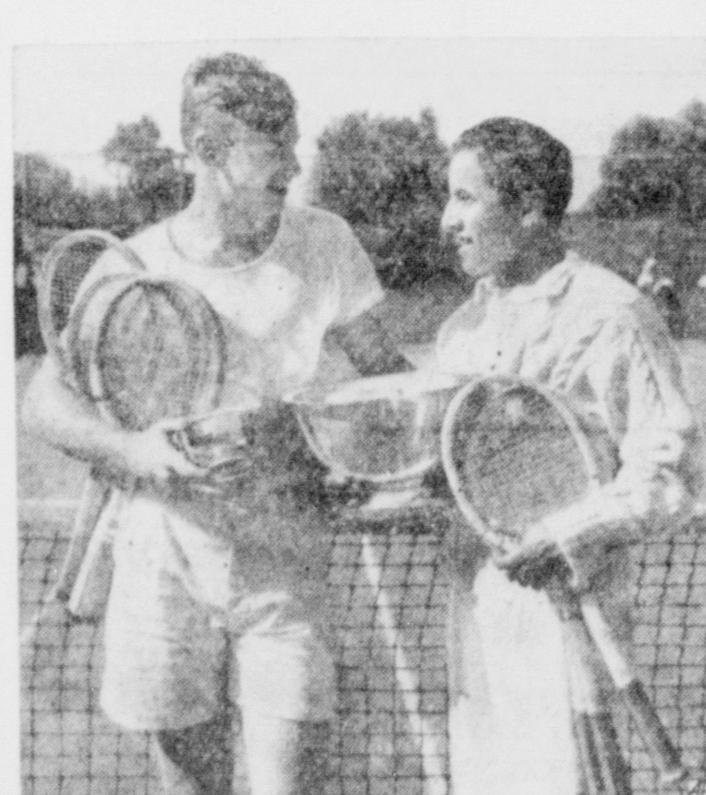
**PAY-OFF HOMER IN WORLD SERIES** — Mort Cooper, Cardinal pitcher, watches Bill Dickey's homer go into the stands at Sportsman's Park, St. Louis, giving the Yankees a winning 2-0 margin in the fifth and deciding game of the world series.



**CHAMP** — Craig Wood (above) of Mamaroneck, N. Y., retained his "duration" open golf title, won in 1941, as a second season passed without a renewal of the links classic.



**COUNT FLEET WINS DERBY** — Leading field at first turn of Kentucky Derby is Count Fleet, "horse of the year" and winner of Derby, Preakness, Belmont Stakes and Withers.



**TENNIS STARS** — Defeated by Francisco Segura (right) of Ecuador in the Eastern grass court tennis meet, Lieut. Joe Hunt, USN (left), came back to win the National singles at Forest Hills and gain No. 1 ranking.



**DEPOSED** — Adolph Kiefer (above), longtime backstroke champion, lost his crown to Harry Holiday of Michigan when the latter swam 200 meters in 2 minutes, 22.9 seconds.



**MAN OF THE YEAR** — Eighty-one-year-old Amos Alonzo Stagg, shown during a harried moment for his College of the Pacific football team, was voted the sport's "man of the year."

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## Bruce High Tops Ridgeley, 18-16, In Slow Contest

## Keyser Tornado Tops Fort Ashby In Opening Game

### Clevenger and Dye Lead Clarkmen to 46 to 25 Triumph

FORT ASHBY, W. Va., Dec. 21.—Fred "Tack" Clark's Keyser High Golden Tornado cagers opened their 1943-44 basketball campaign by easily defeating Ben Simoncelli's Fort Ashby high tossers, 46-25, in an afternoon game here today.

It was a slow affair all the way with both teams off in their shooting. The setback was the first for the Blackhawks, who opened last week with a victory over Alumni.

The figures were deadlocked 4-4 at the quarter but the rest of the way, Bruce was in front, leading 8-5 at the half and 15-12 at the close of the third stanza.

Bruce, which made seven fielders to Ridgeley's six, was led in scoring by Claude Ravenscroft, who snared three double-deckers. Jim Phillips accounted for half of the Blackhawks' twin-pointers. The lineups:

BRUCE	G. F.G. Pts.	KEYSE	G. F.G. Pts.
Brooks, f.	1 1-2 1	Whitacre, f.	1 1-2 1
Harvey, f.	1 1-2 1	Whitacre, c.	1 1-2 1
Ravenscroft, c.	2 0-0 6	Whitacre, g.	1 1-2 1
Collins, g.	0 2-2 6	Boyer, g.	1 1-2 1
Carder, g.	0 0-0 6	Lind, g.	0 0-0 6
R. Phillips, sub.	0 0-0 6	Clayton, sub.	1 1-2 1
Total.	4-4 16	Whitacre and Joe Powell shared fourteen of the losers' tallies. It was Fort Ashby's fifth straight defeat.	

Tommy Thomas Assumes Third Job with Orioles

BALTIMORE, Dec. 21 (AP)—Tommy Thomas assumed his third job with the Baltimore Orioles baseball club today after the board of directors elected him general manager.

Thomas will continue as manager and vice president and will succeed Charley Knapp as general manager of the International League team.

The directors also named Herb Armstrong, formerly assistant general manager, to the new position of club business manager.

A native of Baltimore, Thomas this year will complete nine years of association with the Orioles.

## Moorefield High Wallops Mathias

MOOREFIELD, W. Va., Dec. 21.—In a one-sided but rough battle, the Moorefield High Yellow Jackets wallop Mathias high passers, 49-11, here tonight for their second straight triumph.

The Jackets got away to a 14-4 lead in the opening stanza as "Pete" Vance connected for four of his nine field goals, and were on top 23-7 at the half and 45-8 at the end of the third period. Moorefield's reserves saw service during most of the last half.

Referee Frye called a total of thirty-seven personal fouls with Don Smith and Lowell Dodd, of Moorefield, and Wood, of Mathias, fouling out.

Vance topped all scorers with eighteen points while Warren Roomsburg, starting his first game this season at forward, connected for nine tallies. Deitrick, Garrett and Wood accounted for Mathias' three double-deckers.

In the preliminary, the Moorefield Junior League outfit turned back the Mathias Junior Leaguers, 27-21. The lineups:

MOOREFIELD	G. F.G. Pts.	MATHIAS	G. F.G. Pts.
Vance	9 1-2 1	Roomsburg	4 1-2 1
Roomsburg, f.	4 1-2 1	Keller	1 0-0 6
Keller	1 0-0 6	Deitrick	1 0-0 6
Garrett	1 0-0 6	Garrett	1 0-0 6
Tusin, c.	0 0-0 6	Wood	1 0-0 6
Wood	1 0-0 6	Dodd	1 0-0 6
Dodd, sub.	1 0-0 6	Pink, sub.	1 0-0 6
Total.	20 9 49	Total.	9 48 50
Referee: Frye	3 5 11	Referee: Frye	3 5 11

## Lightweight Boxer Dies after Knockout

CHICAGO, Dec. 21 (AP)—Al Reasoner, 23-year-old lightweight boxer, died in Columbus hospital today, about five hours after he suffered a technical knockout in a ten-round boxing bout last night with Freddie Dawson, of Chicago.

Reasoner, who had been boxing professionally since October, 1942, was unconscious when he was carried from the ring in the tenth round, died without regaining consciousness, said Dr. E. J. Buchan, of the Illinois Athletic Commission.

Dr. Buchan, who said the cause of the young boxer's death was cerebral hemorrhage, announced an inquest would be held. He termed death "an accident."

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## Receipts from Bowl Games Will Be Shared with War Charities

BY HAROLD CLAASSEN

NEW YORK, Dec. 21 (AP)—College football, permitted to exist through the courtesy of the Navy department last fall, will try to pay back the debt from the gate receipts of the Jan. 1 bowl games.

The largest contribution will come from the Rose Bowl, where \$45,000 will be skimmed off the top of the gross receipts and will be used for the improvement of recreational opportunities and facilities for men in the armed services overseas.

Washington and Southern California, the two elevens chosen to entertain the expected 96,000 fans, and other schools in the Coast conference will share in the remainder of the money.

Randolph Field, Texas, rival in the Cotton Bowl, is donating its entire purse to the Army Air Forces Emergency Society and the Bowl committee is staging a drive to raise enough funds for the purchase of 12,000 tickets for service men.

SUN BOWL PURSES EARMARKED  
New Mexico university and South-

ern university of Georgetown, Tex., opponents in El Paso's Sun Bowl, will divide the purse on a fifty-fifty basis but both must contribute them to war charities of their own choosing. Neither school yet has named a beneficiary. A similar arrangement was in force last year when the Second Air Force and Hardin-Simmons were the rivals.

The East-West game at San Francisco, donor of approximately a quarter-million dollars to Shrine hospitals from its past eighteen extravaganzas, hopes to give away another \$68,000 this year.

Although a major portion is earmarked for the maintenance of the hospitals, a part of the sum will go to war charities. The Sugar Bowl and the Orange Bowl are making no outright cash contributions.

Both, however, are making concessions to service men in the matter of tickets.

OTHERS MAKE CONCESSIONS  
Joe B. David, president of the Sugar Bowl group, says the lowering price for servicemen will cost his organization approximately \$50,000.

In addition, a campaign is under way for funds to purchase the tickets for the soldiers and sailors.

Color movies of the game involving Tulsa and Georgia Tech will be sent to numerous camps and a war bond sale is scheduled for the half with a goal of \$300,000.

Guarantees of approximately \$55,000 to Louisiana State and Texas A. and M. and the loss of 5,000 end-zone seats by condemnation make it impossible for the Orange bowl to make a cash contribution, officers pointed out. Blocks of seats at a reduced price, however, are available for servicemen.

The Oil Bowl classic, which makes its debut with Arkansas A. and M. and Southwestern Institute of Louisiana as the foes, still is formulating its policies.

How he could have had Babe Ruth and Ernie Shore for nothing. How he bought Chief Bender for \$100—but still doesn't think the great Indian pitcher was his greatest bargain.

Ruth and Shore, the old gentlemen disclosed with a gleam of amusement in his mild blue eyes, were offered to him by Jack Dunn, owner of the Baltimore club.

That Ruth was a great pitcher in those days, too," he said. "But I told Jack he needed the money they would bring, and I wasn't in a position to offer what they were worth. So they went to the Boston Red Sox . . . .

All this was during the break-up of the great 1914 Athletics.

But his greatest bargain?

"Jimmy Foxx," said the patriarch of Philadelphia, without hesitation. "He cost me \$2,000, stayed with me a long time and brought a considerably higher price when I sold him."

Looking into the future, then, for he's still ready to jam his six-foot-three into a lower berth and be the first up for breakfast, Mr. Mack said Al Simmons, released last season by the Boston Red Sox, will return to the A's next spring as third base coach.

The University of Illinois basketball team grabbed the third ring with the Chicago Bears fourth. The St. Louis Cardinals, last year's top team, skidded all the way to eighth place.

Each first place vote meant three points. Two were given for second and one for third. Eighty editors participated in the poll.

Oddly enough, the Great Lakes basketball team received more votes than did the Sailors' grid machine.

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COLLEGE

National Intercollegiate—Individual: Wallace Ulrich, Carleton College. Team: Yale.

Big Ten Conference—Ben Smith, Michigan, and Jim Terrell, Minnesota, co-champs. Team: Michigan.

Southwest—Bill Boden, Texas.

Team: Texas.

Pacific Coast—Northern Division: Ernie Jacobs, Washington.

Team: Washington.

Eastern Intercollegiate—Navy.

Gymnastics

All-Around—Men: Arthur E. Pitt, Swiss Gym. Society, Union City, N. J. Women: Pearl Nightingale, Philadelphia Turners.

Handball

Four-wall softball—"Singles": Joseph Platak, Lake Shore A. C.

Chicago. Doubles: Harold Smith and Joseph Gordon, Pacific Coast Club.

Ice Hockey

Stanley cup—Detroit.

National Hockey League—Detroit.

American League—Buffalo.

Eastern amateur—Curtis Bay Coast Guard Cutters.

(Retains title.)

FAIR GROUNDS RESULTS

FIRST—Sunrise, 172.00, 84.70, 25.80; Air Spring, 6.40, 4.90; Vinyl Haven, 22.20.

SECOND—Invitation, 29.40, 8.80, 5.70.

THIRD—Sally Double, 170.60 for 2,000.

FOURTH—Scotch Abbott, 9.10, 3.30, 3.20.

Gallant Witch, 2.40, 1.40; Her Guardian, 1.40.

FIFTH—Transplant, 32.80, 14.70, 7.50.

Cherub—11.80, 6.80; Broke, 4.20.

FIFTH—Happy Lark, 13.10, 6.80, 3.80.

SEVENTH—Shiny Penny, 35.90, 13.60, 7.80.

Charitable, 47.50, 17.30, 7.80.

SEVENTH—Legation, 11.40, 6.20, 4.00.

EIGHTH—Diplomat, 4.20, 2.40, 4.20.

FOURTH—Venus, 1.40, 0.80, 0.80.

Panther, 24.70, 8.50; Milk Fipp, 5.50.

SECOND—Polly Lou, War Struggle, Scotch fast.

THIRD—Reformatory, Scotch fast.

FOURTH—Proud Sister, 17.40, 6.60, 4.80.

CHARTER—7.20, 4.90; Connaught, 3.20.

DOCTOR—5.60, 3.40; Gumption Up, 7.00.

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## Liquor Hoarding By Baltimore's Stores Revealed

Inspectors Discover More  
than 74,000 Quarts in  
Back Rooms

BALTIMORE, Dec. 21 (AP) — Inspectors for the Baltimore Board of Liquor License Commissioners, who made a survey of package goods stores to determine how extensive the liquor shortage was, discovered more than 74,000 quarts of whiskey stored in back rooms, the board reported today.

The three-day survey covered 129 stores, or slightly more than a third of the better than 300 package goods dealers in the city, the liquor board said, declaring the check showed definite hoarding on the part of some dealers.

### 6205 Cases Found

The inspectors looked only for rye and bourbon and reported that most proprietors said they were saving the liquor for regular customers or that the whiskey already had been bought or ordered.

Exactly 6,205 cases of rye and bourbon were found in the 129 stores by the inspectors, who first posed as customers but who disclosed their official capacity when refused a purchase on the ground the store had none for sale.

The liquor board said that in only nine stores was the owners' denial of having any whiskey for sale confirmed by the inspectors.

In at least three instances, the report added, the inspectors could have purchased rye or bourbon provided they were willing to pay "a little more" than the ceiling price.

The names of these establishments were turned over to the board for possible prosecution by the Office of Price Administration.

### No Action Now Possible

One proprietor denied having any whiskey, but inspectors found 350 cases in a back room. Sixteen other such stores were looked over after proprietors said "no whiskey for sale," and in each instance hundred or more cases were found, the inspectors said.

One liquor board member declared that the high cost of whiskey cannot be attributed wholly to the store owners, explaining that some wholesalers are asking a "bonus" for deliveries, which dealers pay and pass on to consumers willing to pay "a little extra."

The board member also said that at present no action can be taken against the places which refused to sell.

## Two Wars, One Set Of Photographs

TULSA, Okla., Dec. 21 (AP) — The Rev. Guy Tettick marched away to war recently, carrying with him the same photos of his wife and daughter that he carried all through World War No. 1. His daughter, Harriet, was a baby during the World War I. Now she is married and has a daughter of her own and so that picture, too, has been added to the collection in Mr. Tettick's billfold. He is a first lieutenant in the chaplain corps.

## NOAH NUMSKULL



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## GRIN AND BEAR IT



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## Today's Pattern



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## Grand Coulee Dam Tops Own Record

GRAND COULEE, Wash., Dec. 21 (AP) — Grand Coulee dam recently smashed its own record for power production when its giant generators ground out 18,000,000 kilowatt hours of electrical energy in one day, dam administrative officials announced.

This was enough, they said, to light every home in the state with seventeen 100-watt lamps, or to operate a washing machine, electric iron, toaster and percolator for every housewife in the state.

There are approximately 100,000 houses in the United States.

## BARCLAY ON BRIDGE

By SHEPARD BARCLAY

"The Authority on Authorities"

### PARTNER MUST HAVE IT

WHAT A PLAYER did not do, in either the bidding or the play, can be just as informative regarding his holding as something he did. In a case where neither defender had made any bid, if one of them plays about a trick and a half of high cards on early tricks, and an ace remains still out against you, it is virtually a sure thing his partner holds it. If the man who already showed pretty good strength also had the missing ace, he probably would have stuck in some kind of a bid.

Mr. House reckoned correctly

since West had already shown the diamond K, which West ducked, and the 4 to the Q was taken by the A. West then played the spade 7, to confuse the issue, and the crisis of the play was at hand. Who had the spade A? If West, then the winning play would be the K and diamonds would make possible a spade discard to produce an extra trick. But, if East had it, the best play was the J. Then, if East did not also have the Q, that would force the A, and the K would be good.

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since West had already shown the diamond A and heart K, the odds would have been 10 to 1 he would have bid holding nine cards in the major suits, if he also had the spade A. So Mr. House counted East for the A and played the spade J. Sure enough, it forced the A and the contract was assured as West had the Q.

other round if necessary

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Tomorrow's Problem

North East South West  
1 ♠ Pass 1 ♦ Pass  
1 NT Pass 2 ♦ Pass  
3 ♣ Pass 4 ♦ Pass

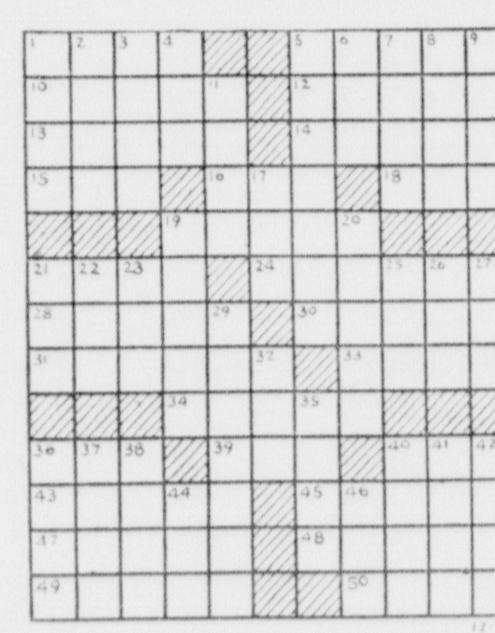
After East led the heart 3, the Q going on from dummy and the K covering, losing to the A, the declarer took stock. He was Herbert Crossby House, manufacturer of woven felts, of Unionville, Conn., who plays what he calls "ordinary commonsense bridge." It stood him in good stead. Ruffing out the heart 10 with the club 9, he then scored the club A and the J to the K, ready for an

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## DAILY CROSSWORD

### ACROSS

1. Fish 5. Auctions 9. Species of crocus 23. Conquered 25. Article of food 26. Girl's name 27. Lair 29. Shipworms 32. River in Scotland 35. Chests 36. Strikes 37. Elliptical 38. Pineapple 40. Exhibition 41. Bulging jar 42. Tree



### CRYPTOQUOTE—A cryptogram quotation

W V J Z B V D D B L P K T F P Y K S N P R S J  
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J Y B D V P

Yesterday's Cryptogram: THE ART OF SPEAKING WELL CONSISTS LARGELEY IN LYING SKILFULLY—ERASMIUS.

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## LAFF A-DAY



"X marks the spot you missed last time!"

## Mistaken Identity, No Doubt

KNOXVILLE, Tenn. (AP) — Postman John Vance sought to instruct residents along his route about their zoning numbers. He left a bulletin in one mailbox that read:

"Mr. John Doe,  
000 Zero Street  
Knoxville, Tenn.  
Zone No. 000."

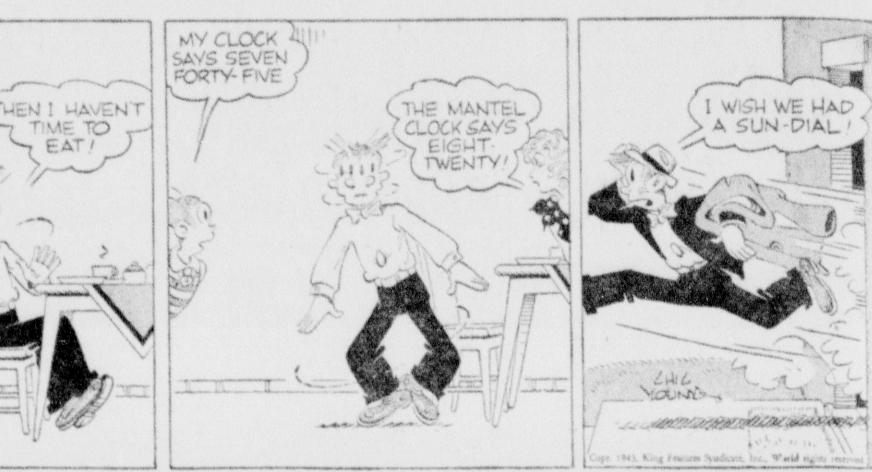
This was enough, they said, to shout: "Hey come back and take this. John Doe doesn't live here and never did."

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## BLONDIE



## The Time Of His Life



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By WILLIAM WITT and CLARENCE GRAY



YEH'AH GITS A DOLLAR A DAY—BUT THEY FIND ME LOA-EVER EVERY TIME I BREAK A PLATE OR A CUP!"

SWELL MAH EYE! AN ONLY STARTED YESTERDAY AFTERNOON AN AH OWNS EM A DOLLAR AN EIGHTY CENTS ALL READY!"

## MUGGS AND SKEETER

EFFIE MAES GOT A JOB WORKIN' AFTER SCHOOL—SHES MAKIN' MONEY TO BUY CHRISTMAS PRESENTS WITH—

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THAT'S SWELL, EFFIE!

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By BRANDON WALSH



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## Funeral Notice

ROBESON—Elijah Clarence, aged 79, husband of the late Mrs. Martha Robeson, died Saturday, December 19th, at his home in Blairstown, W. Va. Friends and relatives will be received at the residence, where funeral services will be held at 2 P. M. Interment will be in Hamill Cemetery, Elizabethtown. Arrangements by Sharpless Funeral Service, Blairstown, W. Va. 12-21-11-N

LOWERY—Mrs. Annie, aged 65, died at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Goldie Shroyer, Corryville, Md. Monday, December 20th. The body will remain at the residence, where friends and relatives will be received at 2 P. M. on Thursday, 12-23-11-N

CHRONIN—Daniel, aged 88, died Tuesday, December 21st, at the home of his daughter, Mrs. C. C. Parker, 212 Harrison St., W. Va. Friends and relatives will be received at the Hafer Funeral Home, Baltimore Ave., where friends and relatives will be received. Funeral Mass Thursday, 9 A. M. SS. Peter and Paul's Catholic Church. Interment in Rose Hill Cemetery. Arrangements by Hafer Funeral Service. 12-22-11-N

WRIGHT—Mrs. Nellie (Porter), aged 55, wife of William Douglas Wright, Eckhardt, Md., died Monday, December 21st, at the home where friends and relatives will be received and funeral services held Thursday, 2:30 P. M. Rev. John G. Miller, Eckhardt Methodist Church, will officiate. Interment in Eckhardt Cemetery. Arrangements by Hafer Funeral Service. 12-22-11-N

KIPPNER—Mrs. Leah H., aged 48, wife of John G. Kippner, 122 Bedford St., Cumberland, died Saturday, December 20th, at Allegany Hospital. The body will remain at Stein's Chapel. Funeral Mass Thursday, 9 A. M. in St. Patrick's Catholic Church. Interment in St. Peter and Paul Cemetery. Arrangements by Stein's Funeral Service. 12-22-11-N

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Under and by virtue of a writ of fieri facias directed to me as Sheriff of Allegany County and issued out of The Circuit Court for Allegany County, Maryland, on the 21st day of November, 1943, by W. Tracy and against the property, goods and chattels of Thomas Daley. The same being in proceedings known as No. 2 1943, I, George L. Miller, Sheriff, do hereby sell and lease upon all of the hereinbefore described real estate and in accordance with the commands of said writ, that the highest bidder, or his assigns, will offer for sale at public Auction to the highest bidder for cash on Tuesday, January 18th, 1944, at 10 A. M. in front of the County Court House, in the town of Cumberland, Maryland, all of the right title and interest of the said Thomas Daley and to the following parcels of FIRST:

All that lot or parcel of land known as Lot No. 26 in the Town of New Franklin, Allegany County, Maryland, as set off on the plan of the same, more particularly described as follows: Beginning at a Locust Post standing at the end of the line of the lot No. 25 and running North 18 degrees West 200 feet to a Locust Post standing at the end of the line of the lot No. 26 and running North 69 degrees East 247 feet to the 80th line of a tract of land called "Good and Right" and with said line reversed and then North 21 degrees East 200 feet to the second line of lot No. 25, and with it reversed South 69 degrees West 249 feet to the beginning.

The property is improved by a frame dwelling house.

SECOND:

All that lot situated in Allegany County, State of Maryland, as known as Lot No. 11 of a suburban development known as "Forest Glen", situated on the National Pike about four miles west of the City of Cumberland, Maryland, and described as being described as follows: to wit: Beginning at a point on the South side of Holly Avenue and lying in the sixth line of a tract of land called "Good and Right" and the National Real Estate Company of Allegany County, to the George L. Miller Enterprises Company by deed dated October 15, 1921, and recorded in the Office of the Register of Land Records of Allegany County, containing three acres, as referred to the Magnetic Meridian in the year 1921. South forty-five degrees forty-eight minutes West to the end of the fourth line of Lot No. 12, thence with the said line reversed, South forty-seven degrees 03 minutes East, one hundred and five and sixteen hundredths feet, thence with the said line, North forty-two degrees fifty-eight minutes East, forty-four feet to Holly Avenue and then with said line reversed, South forty-seven degrees 02 minutes West two hundred and four and sixty-one hundredths feet to the place of beginning. All distances are to be measured by a chain.

Reserving, nevertheless, to the grantor the right to maintain the stone entrance way as now constructed. It being the same property as the property hereinbefore described. The George L. Miller Enterprises Company, incorporated by the National Real Estate Company of Allegany County, Maryland by deed dated October 15, 1921, and recorded in the Office of the Register of Land Records of Allegany County, Maryland, and subject to the restrictions in said deed.

This property is improved by a frame dwelling house.

THIRD:

Beginning for the same at a stake standing on the Easterly side of the County Road, running North 21 degrees East, the division corner between the property hereinbefore conveyed and that now owned by Mrs. Nettie A. Dawson, said beginning stands on the Northwesterly corner of the two story frame dwelling now located on the adjoining lot and owned by Mrs. Nettie A. Dawson, and the same is situated on the South side of said County Road, West 100 feet North 21 degrees 34 minutes West 40 feet and thence at right angles to the County Road, running North 21 degrees East, South 69 degrees 6 minutes East, 614 feet to the first line of lot No. 12 in Morrison's Addition to New Reading and with said line reversed, North 21 degrees 34 minutes East, 406 feet to the aforesaid division line between the property hereby conveyed and the lot now owned by Mrs. Nettie A. Dawson, and thence with said line reversed, South 69 degrees 6 minutes West 88 feet to the place of beginning.

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Sheriff of Allegany County  
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## "Sit Down" Strike At Celanese Is Still in Effect

Present Stoppage Is One of Twenty Halt since April, Small Says

Initial signs that the "sit down" strike of approximately 600 employees in Block 2 of the Coning department, Celanese Corporation of America plant, was nearing an end came last midnight when approximately forty operators started back to work, according to Fred T. Small, plant manager. The coming department of the plant has been out of production since 2 p.m. Monday.

There were no indications late last evening as to when the "sit down" strike of 600 odd employees in Block 2, Coning department, of the Celanese plant would end. The work stoppage, which Fred T. Small, plant manager, believes is "unauthorized by union officials" has already affected employment in other departments.

Small, in a statement late yesterday afternoon, said:

The coming department of the Celanese plant has been out of production since about 2 o'clock Monday, December 20, 1943, according to a statement made today by Fred T. Small, plant manager, which follows:

"The present stoppage in this department is one of the more than twenty stoppages of work in this plant since last April.

Company Keeps Terms

The company is abiding by the terms of its agreement with the union and the directive order of the War Labor Board. In spite of the company's willingness to deal with grievances under the procedure set up in the contract, including arbitration, various groups of employees have chosen from time to time to use stoppage of work as a means of attempting to force changes in established methods of operation.

The present stoppage, which does not involve any question of wages, is simply another one of these efforts to force settlement of grievances by this procedure rather than by orderly means. So far as we know the strike has not been authorized by union officers or by formal union action but the insurgent members are out of the control of the union.

The coming department stoppage has already affected employment in other departments and if it continues, will force further furloughs of employees throughout the plant.

Union Leaders Silent

Neither Walter R. Walters, president of Local 1874, Textile Workers Union of America, nor John G. Thomas, business manager of the local union, would comment on the work stoppage and said only, "No comment", when questioned.

A union official who did not want to be quoted, said the workers in the coming department refused to work when their work-load was "increased beyond their capacity."

Several employees cited a variation in sizes in fibers used in preparation of bobbins as a source of the grievance. The workers were reported to have been accustomed to running long fibers through and during the past month that they have been given a much larger number of short fibers which require more work without a corresponding increase in the restaurant kitchen.

It was indicated that the supply of bobbins was sufficient to keep other departments operating through Sunday even though work has already begun to be curtailed.

## CHRISTMAS PARTY IS HELD BY ROTARIANS

Rotarians held their annual Christmas party yesterday at the Central Y. M. C. A. in connection with their weekly luncheon, highlights being a Christmas message by Capt. Robert S. Ball of the Salvation Army, and the singing of Christmas carols by an Allegany high school quartet.

Capt. Ball spoke on "Strange Facts about Christmas", noting those pertaining to the birth of Christ, the Prince of Peace, and stressing the thoughts that humility has never humiliated any one and that peace is available when sought in the right direction.

The Allegany high school carolers, under the direction of Miss Dorothy Willis, music teacher, comprised Lois Stine and Kathryn Richards, sopranos; Rosemary Ferree and Helen Smith, altos; Leonard Ferree and Edward Jenkins, tenor, and Edward Martin and William Piercy, bassos. Miss Eleanor Andrews was the accompanist.

The alleged theft occurred November 14, according to the warrant issued by J. C. Swartz, clerk of justice court in Rockingham county. Authorities are seeking another man in connection with the case. Virginia police have been notified of Currys' arrest and he will be returned to Rockingham county for trial.

Two youths arrested on a charge of unauthorized use of an automobile were released on their own recognition at the state's attorney's office yesterday morning pending outcome of physical examinations for military service to be taken Jan. 4.

The youths, Ervin R. Emerick, Fairhope, Pa., and James L. Kennedy, Corriganville, were arrested by State Trooper Milton G. Hart on a charge of stealing the automobile of James Clarkson, Corriganville, Sunday night. The car was recovered.

State's Attorney Morgan C. Hart said Emerick and Kennedy have volunteered for service and added that if they pass their examinations the charges will be dropped.

## Dates Set for Tax Review Hearings

County Officials Will Sit as Board of Review Two Days Each Month

Effective January 1, the first and third Tuesdays of each month were set yesterday by the board of county commissioners for tax review hearings in accordance with the newly enacted continuous assessment law which will begin to function at the first of the year.

Sitting as a board of review at their office in the court house here, the commissioners will consider the assessments recommended to them by the assessors appointed under the new law.

The sittings will be from 1:30 p.m. to 4 p.m. on the two days named. They will be exclusively for the purpose of hearing complaints, correcting errors, decreasing or increasing assessments and such general action upon assessments as may be brought to the board's attention by the supervisor of assessments, the assessors or the property owners.

It was revealed yesterday that the first district to be reassessed under the new system will be in the eastern part of the county, working westward from the Washington county line.

Cause of the fire Monday was traced to either cinders or hot coals from passing locomotives Johnson explained.

There were two other fires in the Cumberland area yesterday with flames burning over between sixty and seventy acres on Fort Hill at Rawlings. This fire also was blamed on the railroads and Johnson said it started between 2:30 and 3 p.m. and was controlled by 7 p.m.

About two acres of scrub land was burned over at Bowling Green. Cresaptown firemen went to the scene and helped bring the flames under control by 2 p.m. The fire broke out about 12:45 p.m.

**Washington County Fire**

Johnson said last night he was waiting for a report on a forest fire that broke out yesterday on the property of the Woodmont Rod and Gun Club in Washington county.

Because of the extreme dry weather and high winds prevailing at the present time, Johnson urged residents of the county to use utmost caution in burning rubbish.

Recently he added, high winds have not come up until about noon but then continue until evening. Water supplies are still low and dryness plus high winds aid fires in gaining headway rapidly.

## Van Meter Is Sentenced To 60 Days on Charge Of Assauling Soldier

Thomas H. Sheehe, of Indiana, Pa., Takes Over Local Establishment

Thomas H. Sheehe, who arrived here recently from Indiana, Pa., has taken over the management of the terminal lunch room at the corner of Frederick and North Mechanics streets in co-operation with the C and W. and Blue Ridge bus lines.

Citing his new position as his first venture as a restaurateur Sheehe, who will be assisted by his son, Thomas Sheehe, Jr., stated that he intends to make several renovations in the establishment as well as extending its service to include townspersons in addition to bus patrons.

Prior to coming to Cumberland, the new manager was a deputy collector for the department of internal revenue for about two and a half years. Before that, for a twenty-five year period, he was general manager of a chain of Industrial Stores owned by the New York Central Railroad Company. At one time he served as president of the National Industrial Stores Association.

Besides his varied business career, Sheehe was an active participant in civic affairs in Indiana. He was president of the Indiana Kiwanis Club, a past grand knight of the Knights of Columbus and a member of the Indiana city council for four years.

He also served three years as president of the board of trustees for Indiana State Teachers college. Sheehe is married and has thirteen children, nine boys and four girls. Four of his sons are in the service and four are on call. Mrs. Sheehe will assist in the local business by supervising management of the restaurant kitchen.

Until they establish permanent residence, the Sheehees are making their home above the restaurant.

## St. Anthony's Church To Hold Midnight Mass On Christmas Eve

Solemn High Mass will be celebrated in St. Anthony's Catholic church, Ridgeley, W. Va., at midnight Christmas eve, it was announced last evening by the Rev. Robert Kilgannon, pastor.

The second Mass on Christmas day will be held at 9 a.m.

The Rev. Father Luke, O. F. M., Cap. of SS. Peter and Paul church will say Mass at St. Charles church Paw Paw, W. Va., on Christmas day at 9 a.m.

**Sharp Will Make Investigations Here**

John E. Sharp, 730 Gephart drive, who was appointed labor relations representative of the Division of Labor of the War Production Board, arrived here late Monday evening. Sharp has been assigned to investigate labor relations in the Cumberland and Hagerstown area.

A Salvation Army Christmas kettle received the generous attention of members. Capt. Ball thanked them for this and also for other contributions by the club for the Christmas baskets distributed by the army, particularly for a large assortment of candy.

Guests included Louis D. Baldwin of Hanover, Pa., and Harry Walters of Ardmore, Pa.

## Virginian Is Held On Theft Charge

## Mill in Rockingham County, Va., Was Entered November 14

Accused of breaking and entering the Rocco mill in Rockingham county, Va., and stealing a quantity of feed bags, William O. Curry, Jr., of Virginia, was arrested here at 3:30 a.m. yesterday by Lieut. James E. Van and Officer Edwin L. Lally.

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## Two Births Reported

Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Caato, 6 Roberts street, announce the birth of a son yesterday afternoon in Memorial hospital.

A daughter, Jane Auer, was born to Mr. and Mrs. John E. Geare, Tenny, N. J., yesterday morning. Mr. Geare is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Cyril B. Geare, 321 Fayette street.

## Second Narrows Fire Is Brought Under Control

Forester Urges Caution in Burning Brush; Other Blazes Break Out

Fire that broke out again yesterday afternoon on Wills mountain in the Narrows was controlled at 6 p.m. William J. Johnson, district forester, said last night.

There was little damage from the fire that broke out in the same area that was burned over Monday. Johnson said, inasmuch as there is no timber of any value on the land.

The fire yesterday was "mostly smoke," Johnson added, although forest wardens burned out a part of the area last evening to make it safe and prevent another outbreak today.

### Area Patrolled

Forest wardens patrolled the area all morning yesterday but high winds whipped smoldering embers from Monday's fire until the flames broke out again about 1 p.m.

Baltimore pike firemen hastened to the scene, according to Johnson, but were unable to use water from the creek because of heavy train traffic.

Cause of the fire Monday was traced to either cinders or hot coals from passing locomotives Johnson explained.

### Laid Mines at Gela, Sicily

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## Local Sailor Looks On Submarine Attacks as Daily Occurrences

Yeoman C. R. Dickerhoof Tells about Three-months Mine-laying "Tour"

Just an everyday occurrence is the description given to submarine attacks in the Atlantic and Mediterranean areas by Yeoman Third Class Charles C. Dickerhoof, 1217 Frederick street after a three-months mine-laying "tour" in the Eastern war theater.

Home on convalescent leave to recover from a neck injury received after his return to this country, the local sailor leaves today to fulfill his promise to a fellow crewman so that the latter may get home for Christmas.

Yeoman Dickerhoof's short jaunt on a mine-layer began in July after a twenty-three day crossing from this country and October found him back in the United States aboard a "wounded" but distinguished vessel.

"All we did was lay mines in the Sicilian waters to keep enemy submarines from destroying our ships after they were in the harbors," the young sailor said.

But so well was the job done, that the entire crew and commanding officers of the mine-layer, which was a flagship, received citations for outstanding achievement in their line of duty.

### FLAGSHIPMAN

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came through all these battles unscathed, only to have a violent storm wind toss it into another allied vessel at Oran at the beginning of the trip home.

But with a hole in its hull and several of its guns out of commission, it made the return trip with no mishaps other than those "everyday occurrences" and will be heading for the high seas again in the near future.

One of the most interesting

things he recalled about the trip was the small convoy tug which pulled a full-size destroyer all the way across the Atlantic.

Recently he added, high winds have not come up until about noon but then continue until evening. Water supplies are still low and dryness plus high winds aid fires in gaining headway rapidly.

### Saw Surrender of Italian Fleet

Another significant recollection Yeoman Dickerhoof carries with him is that of the surrender of the Italian fleet near Malta. The sight of seven submarines appearing on all sides of his ship was quite a formidable sight, he said, until it was revealed that they were

surrendering.

That he, with the rest of the crew, was still very much Mediterranean minded even after arriving in a home port was proved by the local sailor's version of the recent Norfolk explosion.

His ship had arrived at a port in that area just before the explosion occurred and when the first

blasts were heard, he said, the entire crew was at battle stations and had guns manned for immediate action before they realized that they were home.

Yeoman Dickerhoof, the son of

Mr. and Mrs. Charles L. Dickerhoof and husband of the former Miss Marcella Flanagan, of Mt. Savage, entered the naval service in January, 1941, and was stationed in Washington, D. C., and Cleveland, Ohio, before being assigned to a ship.

Van Meter was arrested on the night of December 11 by Officers James W. Brown, J. C. Stouffer, and Arthur Kennell following an argument in the Mayflower beer parlor, Front street. Police said Van Meter attacked the soldier who suffered severe facial cuts when he was struck with a beer bottle. The soldier was a patient in Allegany hospital for over a week.

Although he pleaded not guilty, Van Meter offered no defense at the hearing, asserting that he had been drinking that night and "didn't remember hitting anybody."

Pvt. Parker, officers asserted,

is stationed at Camp Shelby, Miss. His leave expired at noon, December 11, twelve hours before the fight in the beer parlor.

He has one brother, Staff Sgt. Dale Dickerhoof, who is stationed with the air corps at St. Petersburg, Fla.

**Eckhart Man Held On Draft Charge**

Charles Given Martin, 32, Eckhart, was indicted yesterday in Baltimore by a federal grand jury on a charge of failing to report to Local Board No. 4, Frostburg, for induction into the armed forces on November 16.

Martin claimed draft exemption because he is a part-time minister of a religious sect. Authorities said he is a member of Jehovah's Witnesses. The case was presented by Charles Mindel, government prosecutor.

An agent of the Federal Bureau of Investigation and United States Deputy Marshal Howard P. Loughrey arrested Martin November 26 at the Union Mining Company where he is employed.

He was arraigned before United States Commissioner Wilbur V. Wilson on November 26 and after waiving a hearing was held for action of the federal grand jury under bond of \$1,000. Bond was furnished.

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